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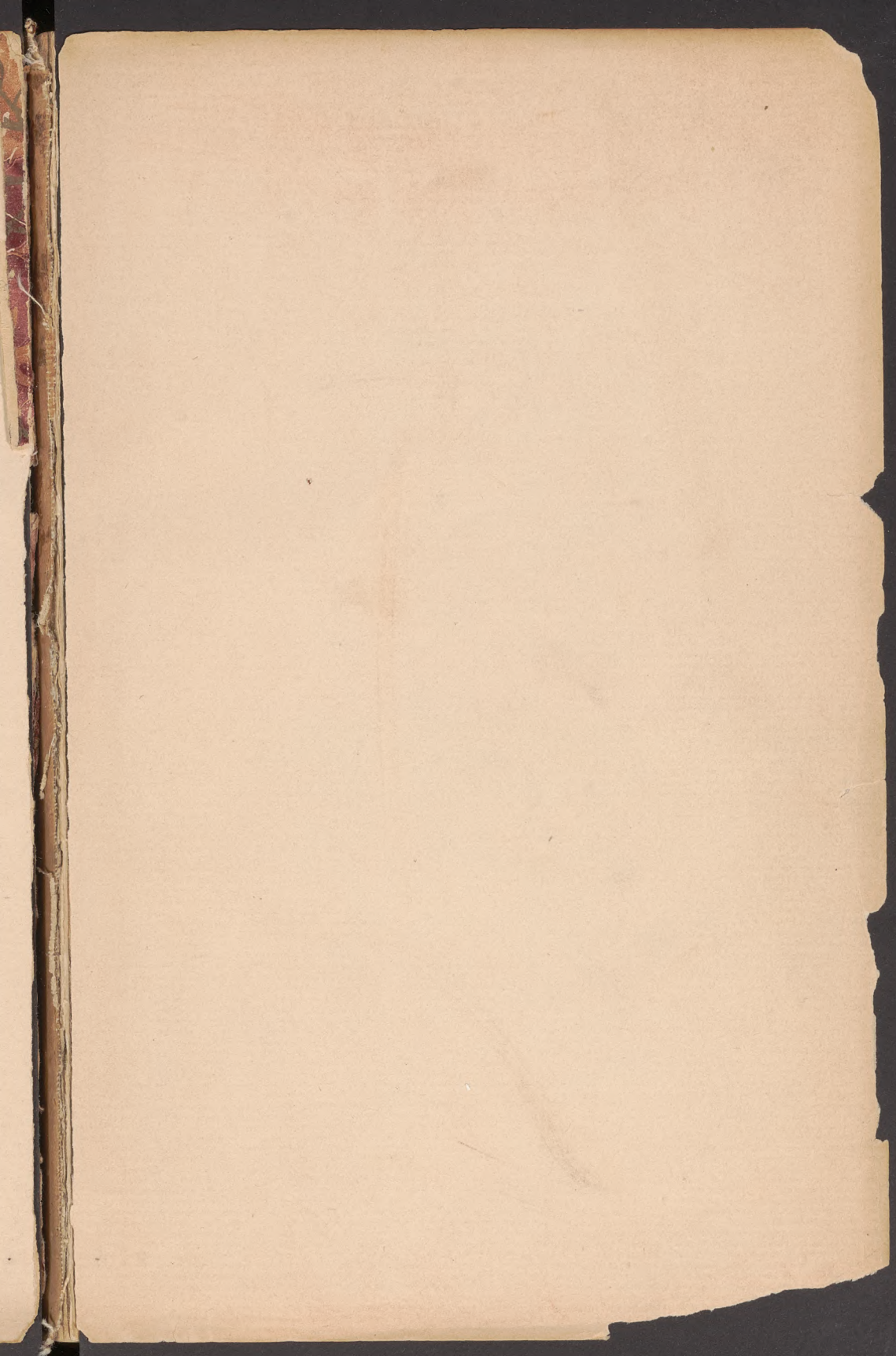
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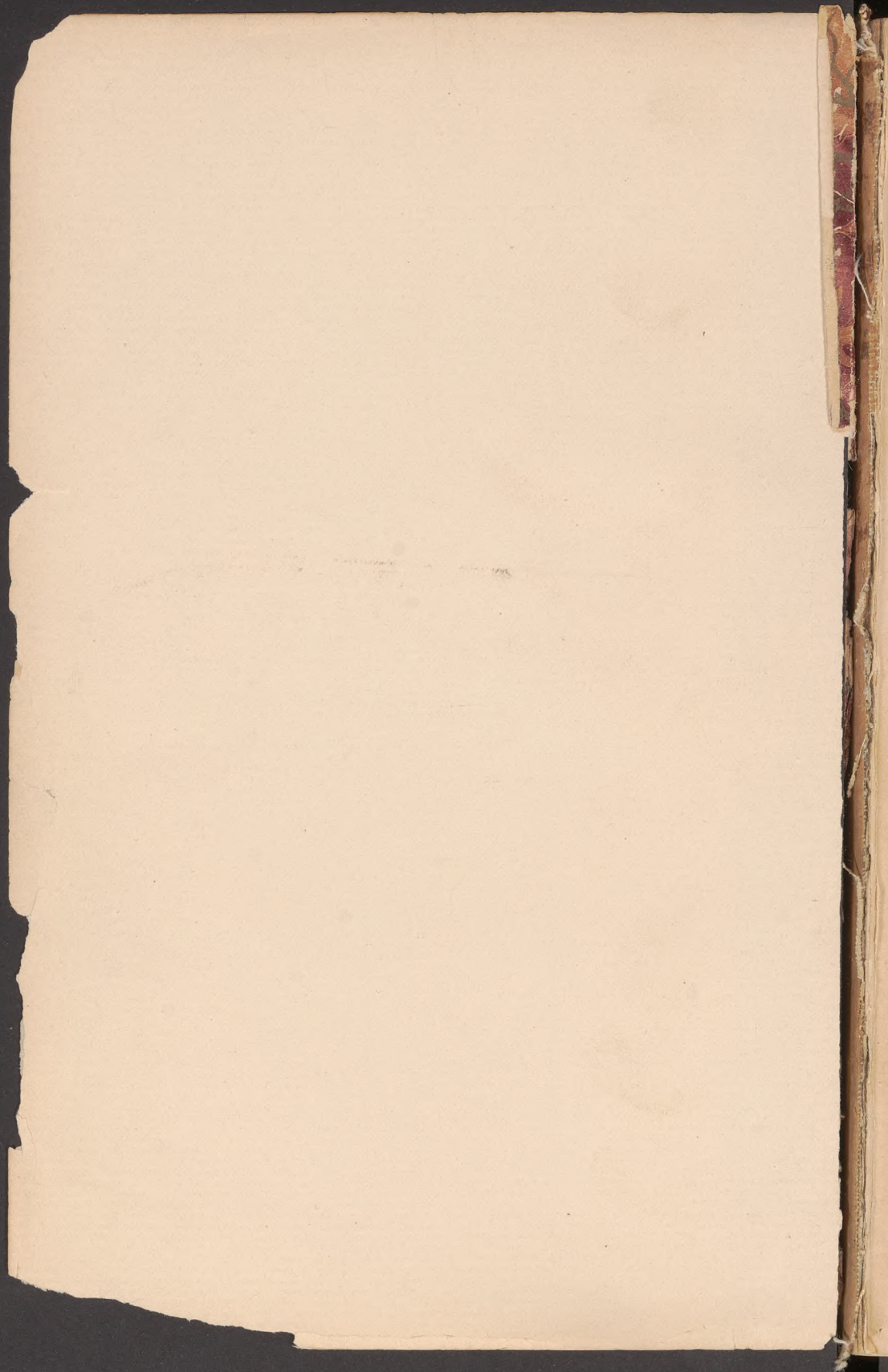
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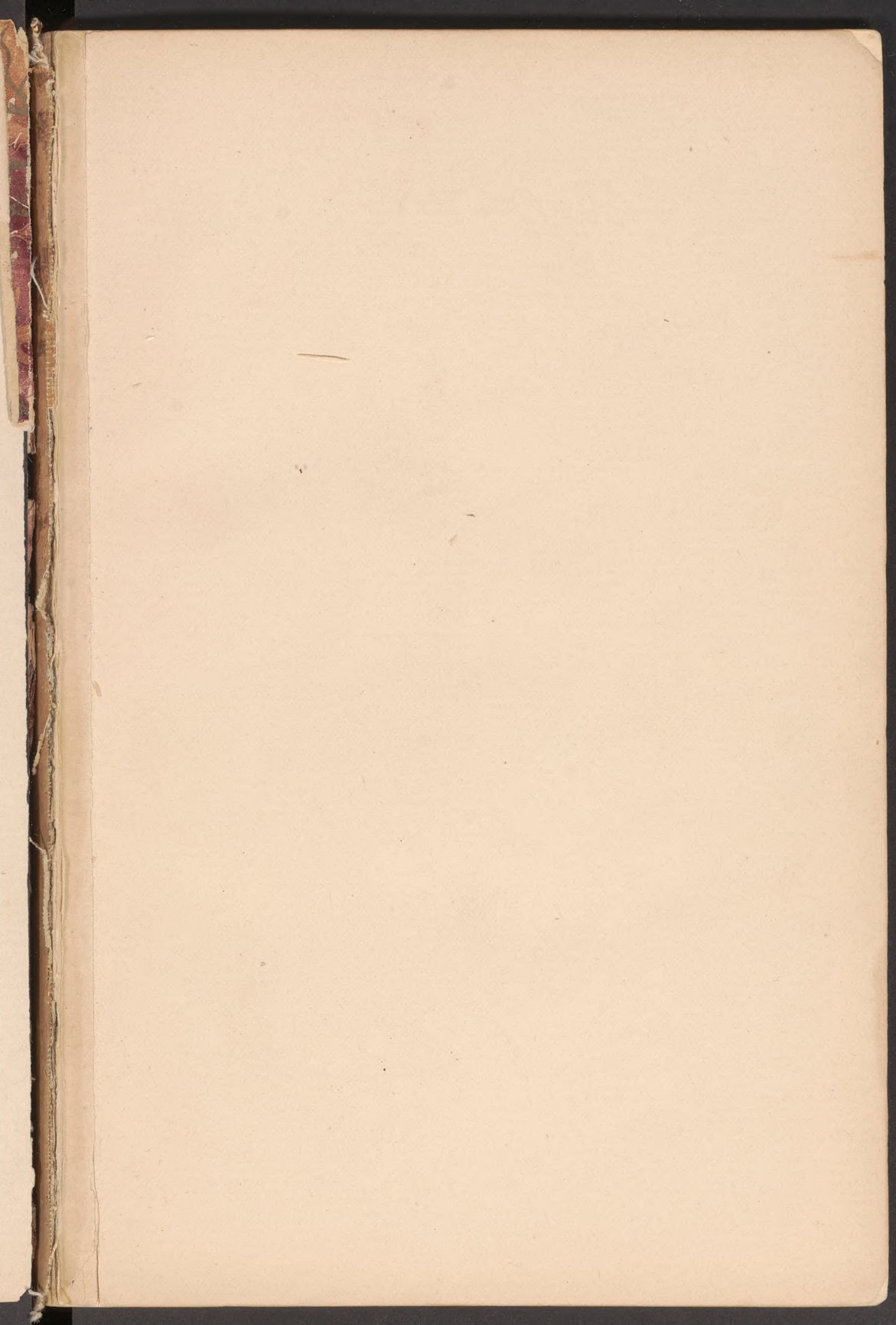
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Second Year.—C. J. Trippett, Geo. E. Hite, F. N. Lynch.

Third Year.—C. B. Meredith, A. Mick, A. Moore.

Fourth Year.—W. W. King, W. W. Kelley, W. R. White.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders.—Geo. W. Kepler, U. Pribble, C. H. Lakin.

Local Deacons for Elder's Orders.—N. H. Prince, C. R. Shackelford, N. L. Baumgardner.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

Appointee.—M. F. Dryden.

Alternate.—J. H. Hess.

To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—C. R. Shackelford.

Alternate.—C. J. Trippett.



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- 162 Ash, David L.
- 43 Baumgardner, N. L.
- 165 Blaisdell, H. R.
- 41 Bollinger, Charles F.
- 14 Carrico, William D.
- 127 Carder David F.
- 70 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
- 50 Cheuvront, Wm. A.
- 83 Chidester, T. W.
- 44 Clark, Charles E.
- 53 Conwell, John.
- 111 Cool, Daniel.
- 143 Cotton, Thomas.
- 133 Cotton, Samuel J.
- 71 Cox, C. W.
- 2 Cottrill, Fred.
- 116 Cross, Levi.
- 39 Curtis, A. L.
- 68 Darlington, B.
- 56 Davis, J. T.
- 96 Dixon, J. A.
- 160 Dryden, M. F.
- 149 Eichelberger, J. T.
- 54 Engle, Jeremiah.
- 18 Evans, Blackburn B.
- 105 Faulkner, T. R.
- 78 Fe.ther, Joseph B.
- 82 Ford, F. G. W.
- 112 Friend, David A.
- 122 Fullerton, James A.
- 157 Galway, T. E.
- 163 Graham, Christopher B.
- 161 Grimes, George W.
- 27 Griffiths, J. W.
- 153 Hammond, David S.
- 97 Hennon, Watson R.
- 124 Hess, John W.
- 73 Hess, John H.
- 132 Hite, George E.
- 87 Hughes Robert H.
- 98 Hunter, Wm.
- 156 Ison, Benj.
- 144 Jones, S. Earnest.
- 1 Jordan, Lewis H.
- 135 Kelley, Wm. W.
- 117 Kepler, Geo. W.
- 36 King, E. D. W.
- 42 King, Spencer
- 128 King, Francis H. J.
- 63 King, Wm. W.
- 152 Lakin, Calvin H.
- Lee, Joseph
- 48 Lovett, Wm. E.
- 32 Lyda, Andrew J.
- 146 Lynch, Francis N.
- 52 Mahone, Bennett D.
- Martin, Gideon
- 69 Marston, Geo. W.
- 66 Matheney, Geo. W.
- 101 Mays, Perry C.
- 9 Meredith, Clinton B.
- 22 Mick, Asbury
- 131 Miles, Henry H.
- 40 Moore, Archibald
- 47 Morris, J. C.
- 89 Nichols, Anderson A.
- 77 Orwen, E. H.
- 80 Perry, Andrew D.

- 16 Poling, Cyrus
- 13 Prince Nathan H.
- 4 Prickitt, S. B. D.
- 130 Pribble, Ulysses
- 159 Randolph, R. F.
- 106 Rexroad, John C.
- 55 Rider, Morgan W.
- 158 Riheldaffer, Wm. G.
- 45 Richmond, Taylor
- 8 Rogers, Benjamin F.
- 38 Rogers, Gilbert
- 150 Roberts, Lloyd W.
- 12 Rohrbough, A. B.
- 147 Sanford, Henry C.
- 33 Shackelford, Charles R.
- 104 Sharpes, Wm. J.
- 3 Sharp, J. N.
- 79 Skidmore, Elijah R.
- 151 Stewart, Lorin L.
- 121 Shaw, Wm. H.
- 61 Tambllyn, S. D.
- 37 Taylor, Marion
- 118 Trippett, Caleb J.
- 75 Upton, Caleb W.
- 24 Ward, Richard B.
- 20 Warden, James M.
- 72 Warman, Clemmer
- 86 Weekley, Wm. P.
- 115 Welsh, Randolph S.
- 5 Williams, Geo. H.
- 81 White, Wm. R.
- 74 Woodruff, Erastus C.

2d Year on Trial.

- 92 Adams, Andrew D.
- 38 Cadwell, Burt C.
- 49 Clark, Thos. H.
- 125 Crummitt, Simon P.
- 137 Fisher, George E.
- 67 Fletcher, Frank
- 93 Fugate, James G.
- 100 Guin, W. P.
- 142 Holt, Wm. J.
- 141 Harkness, Wm. J.
- 119 Knotts, Marcellus
- 29 Lowther, Arthur W.
- 60 Ownby, Albert W.
- 136 Stratton, Joseph H.
- 34 Ward, Henson L.
- 46 Withers, Enoch S.
- 31 White, John J.

Supernumeraries.

- Bolton, J. W. W.
Dawson, Samuel R.
Hitchens, Samuel
Woodyard, R. L.
Webb, J. W.

Superannuates.

- Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John
Brooks, Robert
Brooks, Richard L.
Clark, J. L.
Carroll, J. T.
Crossfield, George
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benj.
Leslie, Lewis E.
McNeel, Moore
McGinnis, David A.
Northcraft, Richard
Pinchen, John B.
Reger, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden
Scott, Hezekiah
Stevens Asby
Trainer, Thomas H.
Wallace, Richard M.
West, John B.
Wriston, William
Williams, John A.

Effective Deacons.

FIRST CLASS.

- 95 Carder, Geo. L.
- 126 Coffield, Levi N.
- 51 Hammond, Joseph A.
- 113 Orr, Dexter B.
- 140 Smith, Warren G.
- 30 Smith, Daniel W.
- 103 Ward, George E.

SECOND CLASS.

- 107 Arnett, Amos S.
- 155 Denton, Douglas A.
- 6 Haines, Lorenzo D.
- 123 Jones, S. Eli
- 85 McCormick, Jas. P.
- 110 Shaw, Chas. E.

1st Year on Trial.

- Arnold, Stark W.
15 Bent, Paris L.
139 Bleakly, Gregory
65 Gainer, Sylvester
134 Hammond, Wm. H.
102 Hughes, Arthur L.
148 Leatherby, Chas. E.
McCoy, Wm. L.
21 McCutchen, Wm. T.
57 Merrells, Arthur
108 Ressegger, Lewis E.
11 Robinson, John S.
7 Talbot, Martin
10 Smith, George D.
91 Strader, Jacob C.

Summary of Roll

In Full Connection and Entitled to Vote	
Effective Elders	101
Effective Deacons	13
Supernumeraries	5
Superannuates	23
Total	142
On Trial, { First Year	15
{ Second Year	17
Grand Total	174



BISHOP RANDOLPH S. FOSTER,
Who began his Ministry in West Virginia 51 years ago.

JOURNAL

First Day.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Sept. 26, 1888.

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its **Forty-second Session** in the M. E. Church, at Fairmont, Sept. 26th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services were conducted by Dr. J. A. Fullerton, who read as a scripture lesson the 12th chapter of Romans. Dr. J. L. Clark announced and read the 319th Hymn. The Conference joined heartily in the singing. Prayer was offered by Dr. Clark.

The communion service was proceeded with; Rev. Samuel Earnest Jones, Presiding Elder of the Wheeling District, conducting it. The 834th Hymn was sung and the Sacramental Service read. Dr. J. L. Clark and the Presiding Elders of the Conference assisting. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered to a large number of Ministers and Church members.

At the close of this precious service, Bishop Randolph S. Foster, D. D., LL.D., at 10 o'clock, called the Conference to order.

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Crossfield, George
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benj.
Leslie, Lewis E.
McNeel, Moore
McGinnis, David A.
Northcraft, Richard
Pinchen, John B.
Reger, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden
Scott, Hezekiah
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Trainer, Thomas H.
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- 103 Ward, George E.

SECOND CLASS.

- 107 Arnett, Amos S.
- 155 Denton, Douglas A.
- 6 Haines, Lorenzo D.
- 123 Jones, S. Eli
- 85 McCormick, Jas. P.
- 110 Shaw, Chas. E.

1st Year on Trial.

- Arnold, Stark W.
- 15 Bent, Paris L.
- 139 Bleakly, Gregory
- 65 Gainer, Sylvester
- 134 Hammond, Wm. H.
- 102 Hughes, Arthur L.
- 148 Leatherby, Chas. E.
- McCoy, Wm. L.
- 21 McCutchen, Wm. T.
- 57 Merrells, Arthur
- 108 Ressegger, Lewis E.
- 11 Robinson, John S.
- 7 Talbot, Martin
- 10 Smith, George D.
- 91 Strader, Jacob C.

Summary of Roll

In Full Connection and Entitled to Vote	
Effective Elders	101
Effective Deacons	13
Supernumeraries	5
Superannuates	23
Total	142
On Trial, { First Year	15
{ Second Year	17
Grand Total	174

Conference Roll.—The Roll was called by W. G. Riheldaffer, Secretary of last year, and 127 members answered to their names.

Secretaries.—W. G. Riheldaffer was elected Secretary by acclamation, with power to nominate his assistants, and on his nomination the following were elected :

Assistant Secretaries—M. F. Dryden and S. D. Tamblyn.

Journal Secretary—E. H. Orwen.

Railroad Secretary—J. B. Feather.

J. H. Hess and C. B. Graham were placed in nomination for Statistical Secretary, and the Conference proceeded to ballot.

Standing Committees.—The Presiding Elders nominated the following Standing Committees, and they were elected. [See list.]

Statistical Secretary.—The tellers returned and the Bishop announced the election of C. B. Graham as Statistical Secretary, and he nominated as his assistants,

Assistants.—D. L. Ash, F. N. Lynch and G. W. Grimes.

Conference Treasurer.—On motion, J. L. Clark was elected Conference Treasurer.

C. W. Upton, J. W. Bolton and G. Martin were appointed a Committee on Papers relating to Chaplaincy in the Army.

On motion of J. A. Fullerton, all papers received were to be referred to the appropriate Committees without further action.

The Secretaries were appointed as a Committee on publication of the Minutes.

A. B. Rohrbough was appointed in the place of J. Engle, on the Examining Committee for the third year.

Conference Mail.—S. P. Archer was appointed to receive and distribute the Conference Mail.

Chartered Fund and Book Concern Monies.—The Bishop announced that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Book Concern for \$340, and on the Chartered Fund for \$30.

The Conference requested him to sign the drafts.

A communication from the Treasurers of the Episcopal Fund was read and referred to the Presiding Elders.

The Hour for Opening and Closing Session.—On motion of J. A. Fullerton, it was ordered that the daily sessions of the Conference begin at 8.30 A. M., and adjourn at 11.45 A. M., the first half hour to be devoted to a prayer service.

Conference Bar.—On motion of J. W. Webb, the Bar of the Conference was placed at the rear of the third window.

The Bishop addressed the Conference expressing his regrets that he was not able to be present at the last session of Conference; was pleased to be present for the second time, and hoped that it might be made a spiritual session.

Dr. Joseph Horner was introduced to the Conference, who represented the interests of the Book Concern and Pittsburg Advocate.

The New York accounts were referred to Dr. Horner for collection.

Introductions.—Rev. S. J. Cotton, of Mississippi Conference, M. E. Church, South; Rev. Morris, of the U. B. Church, and Dr. Finley, of the M. P. Church of Fairmont, were introduced to the Conference.

Afternoon Session.—On motion of J. L. Clark, an afternoon session at 2 o'clock P. M., to receive collections and Statistics, was ordered.

On motion of J. A. Fullerton the drafts drawn on the Book Concern and the Chartered Fund were ordered to be made payable to the Secretary of the Conference.

C. H. Lakin was placed upon the Board of Stewards instead of L. L. Stewart, upon motion of Samuel Earnest Jones.

Dr. A. J. Lyda then spoke in the interests of the Seminary.

Dr. G. Martin was appointed to preside at the afternoon session.

On motion of M. W. Rider, S. B. D. Prickett was placed on Committee of Examination for 4th year, instead of G. W. Marston.

The whole amount of monies for Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was ordered to go into the hands of Treasurer, by motion of Samuel Earnest Jones.

On motion of Dr. Lyda, it was ordered that the basket collections taken by himself for Conference Seminary be reported in the Minutes in a special column.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth question, "*Was the character of each preacher examined?*" was taken up and Buckhannon District was called.

Buckhannon District.—L. H. Jordan, Presiding Elder, his character having passed, read his report. Two new frame churches had been dedicated free of debt; one parsonage built and church debts paid; benevolent collections better than last year; 800 conversions during the year.

The Conference Seminary building in process of erection; foundation will be completed at an early day.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, each reporting his collections: F. Cottrill, J. N. Sharp, S. D. Tamblyn, C. Warman, C. B. Merideth, N. H. Prince, G. H. Williams, B. Ison, C. Poling, A. L. Curtis, A. B. Rohrbough and W. E. Lovett.

Charleston District—J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he read a report of his District. A general revival spirit prevailed; 500 conversions and accessions during the year; nine churches in process of building. With sadness he reported the brutal murder of T. P. Ryan.

Introduced.—Dr. Leonard was introduced to the Conference and addressed it in the interests of Missions.

Adjourned by expiration of time.

Dr. White was appointed to conduct the devotional services at the afternoon session, and C. H. Lakin to lead the prayer meeting Thursday morning.

Dogology was sung and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Leonard.

Afternoon Session.

Conference met at 2 o'clock P. M., and was called to order by Dr. G. Martin, who occupied the Chair by appointment.

Devotional services were conducted by Dr. W. R. White, who read as a scripture lesson the 9th chapter of 2 Corinthians, and announced the 581st Hymn; after the singing he led in prayer.

On motion of C. H. Lakin, the Secretary was requested to call the names of the preachers. J. L. Clark received benevolent collections; C. H. Lakin, collections for Conference Claimants, and C. B. Graham, Statistics. Sixteen charges failed to report.

Committees were called, and the time and places of meeting were announced.

W. W. King and C. W. Upton were appointed on Committee of Examination for the 1st year.

Introduced.—Dr. J. M. Freeman was introduced to the Conference, and represented the Sunday School Union and Tract Society.

On motion, the Conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by Asby Stephens.

Second Day.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Sept. 27, 1888.

Devotional Services.—Religious services began at 8.30 o'clock, conducted by C. H. Lakin, who read the 41st chapter of Isaiah, and announced the 697th Hymn; after the singing, Brother Lakin led in prayer. At the conclusion of the prayer service, at 9 o'clock, the Bishop called the Conference to order.

Reading the Minutes.—The Secretary read the minutes of Wednesday's sessions, which were corrected and approved.

On motion of Dr. Webb, receipts for collections for Conference Seminary were ordered placed in the hands of the Statistical Secretary.

The 20th Question resumed.

Charleston District was called and the following Effective Elders' characters passed, and they reported their collections: A. Mick, G. W. Kepler, T. P. Ryan (deceased), J. W. Griffiths, A. Moore, R. B. Ward, U. Pribble, E. D. W. King, C. R. Shackelford and A. J. Lyda.

Guyandotte District.—The Presiding Elder, M. W. Rider, was called, and after the passage of his character, read his report: 400 conversions; 4 churches built, and several churches and parsonages repaired. He presented the urgent needs of the Church in that quarter of the State.

The following Effective Elders were called, their character passed, and they reported their collections: J. T. Davis, H. C. Sanford, G. W. Metheny, B. Darlington and G. W. Marston.

Morgantown District.—Morgantown District was called and the Presiding Elder, J. F. Chenoweth, after the passage of his character, proceeded to represent his District. The pastors had been faithful in their respective fields; all the financial and benevolent interests of the Church had been attended to; increase in salaries on the District, with some deficiencies; two new churches dedicated, and another ready for dedication; one new parsonage built, and other parsonages and churches repaired.

The following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: C. W. Cox, D. Cool, S. B. D. Prickitt, N. L. Baumgardner, C. W. Upton, E. H. Orwen, J. B. Feather, E. R. Skidmore, A. D. Perry, T. W. Chidester, W. R. White, F. G. W. Ford and J. S. Boreman.

Introduced.—Mr. Ellis, of the Western Book Concern, was introduced to the Conference, and announced his place of business.

New River District was called and the Presiding Elder R. H. Hughes' character passed, and he reported his District: Preachers faithful; 500 conversions; salaries and collections not so good as last year, because of general financial depression; churches built, and several churches and parsonages improved.

The following Effective Elders' characters were passed, and they reported their collections: J. A. Dixon, W. R. Hennon, A. A. Nichols, P. C. Mays and Wm. Hunter.

Oakland District was called. W. J. Sharpes, Presiding Elder, character was passed, and he reported his District: Two new churches dedicated free of debt, and two others ready for dedication; preachers had all done faithful work; 500 conversions; benevolent collections up to appointment, and missionary collection well up toward the million line; salaries paid up, with few exceptions.

The following Elders' characters passed, and reported collections: T. R. Faulkner, J. C. Rexroad, L. W. Roberts, D. A. Friend, R. S. Welsh, B. B. Evans, J. W. W. Bolton, W. H. Shaw and Levi Cross.

Parkersburg District was called, and the Presiding Elder J. A. Fullerton's character passed, and he represented his District: 800 conversions and additions to the church; three new churches dedicated, and three others ready for dedication; various churches and parsonages improved; Sunday School work growing in interest and favor with the people.

The following Effective Elders reported their collections, after the passage of characters: D. F. Carder, C. J. Price, F. H. J. King, W. A. Cheuveront, G. E. Hite, W. W. Kelley, J. L. Clark, H. H. Miles, J. W. Hess and Thomas Cotton.

Wheeling District was called and the Presiding Elder Samuel Earnest Jones, after passage of character, proceeded to report his District: Had met all appointments during the year, except one, from which I was detained by sickness; preachers had been faithful; one new church dedicated; collections better than last year notwithstanding the financial depression; some increase in salaries.

The following Effective Elders, after passage of character, reported their collections: W. W. King, F. N. Lynch, C. S. Allemong, J. T. Eichelberger, S. King, L. L. Stewart, C. H. Lakin, D. S. Hammond, J. H. Hess, T. E. Galway, Wm. G. Riheldaffer, R. F. Randolph, M. F. Dryden, G. W. Grimes, D. L. Ash, C. B. Graham and H. R. Blaisdell.

At this point M. W. Rider, P. E., of Guyandotte District, made a statement in reference to G. C. Shaw, who had been tried and suspended until the meeting of the Annual Conference. On his motion, a committee of 15 was ordered to try the case.

Dr. W. R. White moved that a committee of 3 be appointed to nominate said Court. The Bishop appointed W. R. White, G. Martin and B. Ison. The committee retired.

Introduction Ex-Governor Pierpont was introduced to the Conference.

Eighteenth Question.—"Who are the Supernumerary preachers?" was called, and the following were continued in that relation: S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, S. Hitchens, W. G. Matton and W. E. Loomis.

Nineteenth Question.—"Who are the Superannuated preachers?" was called, and after the usual proceedings, the following were continued in that relation: T. H. Trainer, R. M. Wallace, M. McNeel, J. T. Carrol, A. Stevens, D. A. McGinnis, (Brother McGinnis was requested by the Conference to locate at the end of next year. The Secretary was instructed to notify him that the reason for this action was his failure to co-operate with the Preacher in charge, and Presiding Elder, in church interests.) John Birkitt, R. L. Brooks, D. S. Benedum, J. B. West, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Robert Brooks, J. J. Dolliver, B. Hagar, V. Sanford, G. Crossfield, L. E. Leslie, H. Scott, W. Wriston and J. A. Williams.

Nominating Committee returned and presented their list of the Court to try G. C. Shaw, which after some revisions stood as follows: W. R. White, Chairman; L. L. Stewart, C. R. Shackelford, R. M. Wallace, N. L. Baumgardner, S. B. D.

Prickitt, D. Cool, L. W. Roberts, Levi Cross, F. H. J. King, W. W. Kelley, F. N. Lynch, J. T. Eichelberger, S. King, B. Ison, and J. B. Feather.

George E. Hite was appointed to represent the church, and George C. Shaw chose J. W. W. Bolton as his counsel, reserving the right to assist; M. F. Dryden to act as Secretary.

Clarksburg District was called, and the Presiding Elder, J. Lee, after the passage of his character, reported his District: One church dedicated and several churches repaired; and churches in process of building.

The following Effective Elders' characters passed and they reported their collections: B. F. Rogers, J. Engle, G. Martin, W. D. Carrico, E. C. Woodruff, C. J. Trippett, John Conwell, M. Taylor, G. Rogers and B. D. Mahone.

The Secretary was instructed to print the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the Minutes.

On motion of W. J. Sharps, D. A. Friend was appointed to take the place of L. W. Roberts on the Board of Stewards.

Thirty-third Question.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?" was called, and Weston and Point Pleasant were nominated: Point Pleasant was chosen as the place.

The Statistical Secretary called for Statistics from charges not having reported.

On motion of Dr. Clark, the Statistical Secretary was ordered to insert Statistical report of last year (except collections) where charges make no report this year.

Introduction.—Dr. Freeman was introduced and presented the Sunday School and Tract interest.

C. W. Upton was appointed to conduct the Conference prayer meeting on Friday morning.

Announcements were made, and on motion, Conference adjourned.

Doxology sung, and Benediction pronounced by Dr. Freeman.

Third Day.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., Sept. 28, 1888.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services began at 8.30 A. M., conducted by C. W. Upton, who read the 23rd Psalm and announced the 521st Hymn, after the singing of which he led in prayer.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair and called the Conference to order.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary read the minutes of the previous session, which were approved.

Papers Referred.—Certain papers were referred to appropriate committees.

Thirteenth Question.—"Who are the Deacons of the second class?" was called.

Class of Third Year.—The following brethren were called, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, passed to the second class of Deacons: Amos S. Arnett, Douglass A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, G. C. Shaw, S. Eli Jones and Lorenzo D. Haines.

Dexter B. Orr and George F. Carder were continued in the class of the third year.

Class of the fourth year—

Fourteenth Question.—"What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, the following named brethren were duly elected Elders: Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, William P. Weekly and Taylor Richmond.

Otis W. Waters presented a certificate from the Secretary of North Ohio Conference stating that he had passed the proper examination and been duly elected to Elders orders.

Introductions.—Drs. W. A. Spencer, of the Church Extension Society; C. W. Smith, of the Pittsburgh Christian Advocate; R. T. Taylor, of Beaver College; A. A. Norcross, of Pittsburgh Female College; H. R. Blaisdell, of Wheeling Female College,

and G. B. Smith, of Scio College, were introduced and addressed the Conference in respect to the interests they represent.

The Statistical Secretary requested those who had not handed in their Statistics to do so at once.

C. B. Meredith was appointed to lead the prayer meeting Saturday morning, at 8.30.

Various announcements were made, the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Spencer.

Conference adjourned.

Fourth Day.

FAIRMONT, September 29, 1888.

Devotional Services.—The devotional services began at 8.30 A. M., and were led by C. B. Meredith. He read a part of the 14th chapter of St. Luke, announced the 536th Hymn, and after the singing led in prayer.

The Bishop took the chair at 9 o'clock, and called the Conference to order.

Reading the Journal.—The Secretary then read the minutes of Friday's session, and they were approved.

Tenth Question.—"What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?" was called, and M. W. Atkinson and Stephen White being duly recommended, and having passed a favorable examination, were represented by their presiding Elders, and elected to Local Deacons' orders.

Class of the First Year—Was called, and Question Third, "Who remain on trial?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Enoch S. Withers, Henson L. Ward, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, James G. Fugate, W. P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, Geo. E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummett, and Stark W. Arnold

were continued on trial and passed to the class of the second year, except Stark W. Arnold, who was continued in class of the "first year."

William J. Holt and Stark W. Arnold were left without appointment to attend school.

The Court, in case of G. C. Shaw, presented their report which was read, and the Bishop announced the case closed.

Motions for Loans.—On motion of R. H. Hughes, a loan of \$100.00 from the Conference Educational Fund was granted to Geo. E. Ward; on motion of J. A. Fullerton, William J. Holt was granted \$100.00 from the same fund; and also on motion of J. F. Chenoweth, a loan of \$100.00 was made to Hugh Houston, it being certified by his Presiding Elder that he was preparing for the ministry.

Twentieth Question, Resumed.—The name of J. W. Webb was called, his character passed, he reported his collections, and was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

Report of Board of Stewards.—John Bailie then read the report of the Board of Stewards which was adopted. [See report.] The monies were then distributed.

Treasurer's Report.—Dr. J. L. Clark, Treasurer, read his report, which was adopted. [See report.]

Fifth Question.—"Who are admitted into full connection?" was taken up. The class, consisting of the following persons, was called forward and seated near the altar: Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph a Hammond, Geo. M. Kelley, Andrew D. Adams, Levi N. Coffield, Marcellus Knotts, George E. Ward and Benson B. Brooks.

The Bishop addressed the Conference, and the class in regard to the duties and responsibilities of Methodist preachers, and the qualifications necessary to the discharge of these ministerial duties. The first qualification mentioned was holiness; the second, manliness, and the third, intelligence. The Bishop sought to impress the thought that no man but a developed man can develop other men. The usual questions were then

asked by the Bishop and answered by the class in a satisfactory manner.

On motion of Dr. Webb, the time was extended.

The final disposition of the Class was as follows: After the usual disciplinary proceedings, Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph A. Hammond, George M. Kelley, Levi N. Coffield and George E. Ward were received into full connection. They were also elected to Deacons Orders, except J. A. Hammond, who was a Deacon.

George E. Ward was left without an appointment to attend school.

Andrew D. Adams and Marcellus Knotts were continued in the Class of the Second Year. B. B. Brooks was discontinued. The Presiding Elder was permitted to employ him.

Introduced.—Dr. Williams, of Allegheny, College was introduced; also, Dr. J. M. Carr, of Mt. Union College, who addressed the Conference in the interest of that Institution.

Dr. Horner made an announcement.

Announcements were made; the Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

Conference adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The memorial service held Saturday at 2 o'clock P. M., was presided over by J. W. Reger.

Dr. J. W. W. Bolton read a part of the 15th chapter of 1st Corinthians, beginning at the 35 verse, after which was sung the familiar Hymn, "There is a land of pure delight." Dr. Bolton then offered prayer.

C. R. Shackelford, chairman of Committee of Memoirs, read the obituary of T. P. Ryan. Appropriate and touching remarks were made by Bros. Shackelford and B. Darlington.

The obituary of Sister Brooks was then read by C. Warman;

the death of Sister Dolliver was announced by J. W. Reger, who stated that her obituary had not been prepared because of the late hour at which the committee came into possession of the facts. He stated it would be prepared later and published in the Conference Minutes. Very appropriate remarks were made by J. W. Reger, J. L. Clark, G. Martin, J. W. Webb and Prof. Wade.

Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Bolton.

Conference adjourned, to meet Monday morning, at 8 o'clock A. M.

✧ Fifth Day. ✧

FAIRMONT, Oct. 1, 1888.

Conference assembled at 8 o'clock. W. G. Riheldaffer conducted the devotional services; 24th Psalm was read, 531st Hymn was sung, and prayer was offered.

The Bishop called the Conference to order.

Journal.—The Secretary read the Journal of Saturday's sessions, which were approved.

Various disciplinary questions were called and answer was made that no business was found under such questions.

Seventh Question.—"Who are received on credentials from other churches?" The following being duly recommended, were received: Samuel J. Cotton, from the M. E. Church, South; J. C. Morris and Sylvester Gainer, from the United Brethren Church. The first two were placed among the Effective Elders; the last one, Brother Gainer, among those received on trial.

Eighteenth Question was called, and J. W. W. Bolton was granted a Supernumerary relation at his own request.

Nineteenth Question was called, and J. L. Clark was granted a Superannuated relation at his own request.

Twenty-first Question.—"Have any died?" was answered by the insertion of the name of T. P. Ryan.

Twenty-second Question.—"Have any been transferred and to what Conference?" W. G. Matton to the Blue Ridge Conference; S. P. Archer and G. M. Kelley to the Central Illinois Conference; W. E. Loomis to the North Dakota Conference; C. J. Price to the Baltimore Conference.

Location.—J. S. Boreman was located at his own request.

Twenty-seventh Question.—"Have any been expelled?" Under this question the Bishop announced that George C. Shaw was suspended for one year.

The Triers of Appeals were announced. The Conference Board of Church Extension was named. The committees of examination were presented.

Reports.—Reports were made from the various committees and funds as follows, [which see] :

Conference Educational Fund, Treasurer of the Permanent Fund, Observance of the Sabbath, Education, Secretary's Report, Presiding Elders' Accounts, Sunday Schools and Tracts, Periodicals and Book Accounts, Temperance, Parsonages, Missions, General Conference Entertainment, Chaplaincy in the Army, Bible Cause, Appointments, &c.

Dr. Williams, of Allegheny College, addressed the Conference.

Ex-Governor Pierpont also spoke in the interests of education.

On motion, time was extended.

A long and full discussion of the educational interests, the observance of the Sabbath, and the work of temperance was held.

The Conference pledged itself to stand by the Trustees of the Seminary, and requested them to proceed with the work of building. Each pastor agreed to act as a financial agent during the year, and report at the next Conference.

The Conference also unanimously determined to give no

support, in any way, to camp meeting associations who break the Sabbath by keeping open gates and take fees for admission on the Sabbath day; and it requested all ministers of our own, or other churches, to not attend or assist in the camp meetings within our bounds. J. L. Clark, Conference Treasurer, was instructed to correspond with the General Educational Society in respect to retaining our collections for education within our own Conference, for Seminary purposes.

Collections, one for the Secretary, amounting to \$11.55, and one for the Janitor, amounting to \$11.45, were taken.

Complimentary resolutions were presented and adopted, thanking the citizens of Fairmont and Palatine for their kind entertainment.

Resolutions of thanks to the Bishop, Secretaries, Pastor of the church, railroads and others, were presented and adopted. [See resolutions.]

The Statistical Secretary presented his report, which was received without reading.

Resolutions to transferring brethren were presented and adopted. [See resolutions.]

On motion of J. M. Warden, the case of W. L. McCoy was reconsidered, and he was continued on trial, and left without appointment, to attend school.

He was also granted a loan from the Conference Educational Fund, of \$100.00.

The notes of Geo. E. Ward, W. J. Holt, Hugh Houston and W. L. McCoy were presented, each with security, and they were received as security for the loan granted them from the Educational Fund.

Second Question was called, "Who are admitted on Trial?" and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Martin Talbot, John A. Robinson, George D. Smith, Paris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutchen, Lewis E. Ressegger, Arthur Merrell, Albert L. Hughes, William H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly and Charles E. Leatherby, were admitted.

On motion, it was ordered that after reading the Journal and the appointments the Conference adjourn *sine die*.

The Journal was read and approved. The appointments were read, and the 42nd Session of the West Virginia Annual Conference closed.

The Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

W. G. RHELDACFER,
Secretary.

R. S. FOSTER,
Presiding Bishop.



Special Services.

Tuesday Evening.

Opening Sermon by W. G. Riheldaffer.

Wednesday Evening.

Missionary Anniversary, by Dr. Leonard.

Thursday Afternoon.

Sunday School Union and Tract Society, by Dr. J. M. Freeman.

Thursday Evening.

Anniversary Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, addressed by A. H. Norcross, D. D.

Friday Afternoon.

Anniversary Church Extension Society, by Dr. Spencer.

Friday Evening.

Temperance mass-meeting, addressed by Dr. Norcross and G. E. Hite.

Saturday Afternoon.

Memorial Service.

Saturday Evening.

Seminary meeting—addressed by Dr. W. R. White, C. W. Smith, I. C. Pershing, W. G. Williams, B. F. Martin.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Conference Love Feast at 9 o'clock, led by C. H. Lakin, followed by Ordination of Deacons.

10.30 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop Foster.

3 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. Norcross, followed by Ordination of Elders.

7.30 P. M.—Missionary Sermon by A. Mick.

Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 1.—“Who have been received by transfer, and from what Conference?”

ANSWER.—None.

Q. 2.—“Who are admitted on Trial?”

A.—Stark W. Arnold, Sylvester Gainer, W. L. McCoy, Martin Talbot, John S. Robinson, George D. Smith, Paris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutchen, Lewis E. Ressegger, Arthur Merrells, Arthur L. Hughes, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby.

Q. 3.—“Who remain on Trial?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, Henson L. Ward, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, William J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, William J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummett, Andrew D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts.

Q. 4.—“Who are discontinued?”

A.—B. B. Brooks.

Q. 5.—“Who are admitted into Full Connection?”

A.—Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Joseph A. Hammond, Geo. M. Kelley, Levi N. Coffield, George E. Ward.

Q. 6.—“Who are re-admitted?”

A.—None.

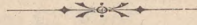
Q. 7.—“Who are received on credentials from other churches?”

A.—Samuel J. Cotton, from M. E. Church, South; J. C. Morris, from United Brethren Church; Sylvester Gainer, from United Brethren Church.

Q. 8.—“What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Geo. M. Kelley, Levi N. Coffield, George E. Ward.

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Rev. Bishop William X. Ninde, D. D., Topeka, Kansas.

Rev. Bishop John M. Walden, D. D. LL.D., Cincinnati Ohio.

Rev. Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu, D.D. 139 Paydras St. New Orleans, La.

Rev. Bishop Charles H. Fowler, D.D., LL.D., 1037 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Rev. Bishop John H. Vincent, D.D., LL. D., Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. Bishop James M. Fitzgerald, D.D., 1115, Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis Minn.

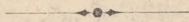
Rev. Bishop Isaac W. Joyce, D.D., Chatanooga, Tenn.

Rev. Bishop John P. Newman, D.D. Omaha, Neb.

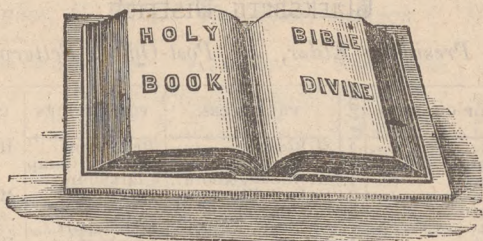
Rev. Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell, D. D., Texas.

Rev. Bishop William Taylor, D.J., St. Paul de Loanda, West Coast of Africa.

Rev. Bishop James M. Thoburn, D.D., Calcutta, India.



HISTORIC NOTES.—First Society (of five members) organized in New York, by Philip Embury, a local preacher, October, 1766. First church edifice (John Street, New York) dedicated October 30, 1768. First itinerant preachers, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, sent by Mr. Wesley, from England, 1769—the former stationed in New York, the latter in Philadelphia. First Conference held in Philadelphia in 1773. First Delegated General Conference held in New York in 1812. First Bishops Thos. Coke, LL. D., and Francis Asbury, ordained in 1784. First Sunday School organized in 1786, in Hanover County, Va., by Bishop Asbury. The next General Conference meets in Omaha, Neb., May, 1892.



Appointments of Preachers.

Buckhannon District.

L. H. Jordan, Presiding Elder, 2. Post-Office, Buckhannon, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
2	Belington	2	Fred Gottrill	Belington	Barbour	W. Va.,
3	Beverly	2	J. N. Sharp	Beverly	Randolph	"
4	Buckhannon	1	S. B. D. Prickett	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
5	Buckhannon Circuit	1	G. H. Williams	Pecks Run	Upshur	"
6	Canaan	1	L. D. Haines	Holly Grove	Upshur	"
7	East Buckhannon	1	Martin Talbot	Tallmansville	Upshur	"
8	Freemansburg	1	B. F. Rogers	Freemansburg	Lewis	"
9	Frechtton	2	C. B. Meredith	Rock Cave	Upshur	"
10	Glady	1	G. D. Smith	Ireland	Lewis	"
11	Glenville	1	John S. Robinson	Glenville	Gilmer	"
12	Philippi	1	A. B. Rohrbough	Philippi	Barbour	"
13	South Buckhannon	2	N. H. Prince	Buckhannon	Upshur	"
14	Sutton	1	W. D. Carrico	Braxton C. H.	Braxton	"
15	"	1	Paris L. Bent	"	"	"
16	Troy	1	Cyrus Poling	Troy	Gilmer	"
17	Webster	4	B. B. Brooks (sup)	Addison	Webster	"
18	Weston	1	B. B. Evans	Weston	Lewis	"
19	Mingo	1	Wm. P. Daniels (sup)	Beverly	Randolph	"

Stark W. Arnold left without appointment to attend school.

Charleston District.

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J. M. Warden, P. E., 5. Post-office, Charleston, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
21	Calhoun	1	W. T. McCutchen	Arnoldsburg	Calhoun	W. Va.
22	Charleston	2	Asbury Mick	Charleston	Kanawha	"
23	Charleston Circuit	1	W. C. Benson (sup)	Youngs Mills	"	"
24	Clifton and Mason	1	R. B. Ward	Clifton	Mason	"
25	Danaville	1	To be supplied	Malden	Kanawha	"
26	East Charleston	1	R. E. Hughes (sup)	Clendenin	Kanawha	"
27	Hartford City	2	J. W. Griffiths	Hartford City	Mason	"
28	Jackson	1	J. S. Jenkins (sup)	Lockharts	Jackson	"
29	Letart and Leon	2	A. W. Lowther	Letart	Mason	"
30	Malden	1	D. W. Smith	Malden	Kanawha	"
31	Mill Creek	2	J. J. White	Higby	Jackson	"
32	Point Pleasant	1	A. J. Lyda	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
33	Ravenswood	1	C. E. Shackelford	Ravenswood	Jackson	"
34	Raymond City	2	H. L. Ward	Raymond City	Pittman	"
35	Reedy	1	M. W. Atkinson (sup)	Reedy	Roane	"
36	Ripley	4	E. D. W. King	Jackson C. H.	Jackson	"
37	Spencer	1	Marion Taylor	Spencer	Roane	"
38	Walton	1	B. C. Cadwell	Walton	Roane	"

Q. 9.—“What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, George M. Kelley, Levi N. Coffield, George E. Ward.

Q. 10.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A. Mitchell W. Atkinson, Stephen White.

Q. 11.—“What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Mitchel W. Atkinson, Stephen White.

Q. 12.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?”

A.—Dexter B. Orr, Geo. L. Carder, Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, George E. Ward, Joseph A. Hammond.

Q. 13.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?”

A.—Amos S. Arnett, Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, S. Eli Jones, Lorenzo D. Haines.

Q. 14.—“What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekly, Taylor Richmond.

Q. 15.—“What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Charles E. Clark, Charles F. Bollinger, Sanford P. Archer, Wm. P. Weekly, Taylor Richmond, Otis W. Waters.

Q. 16.—“What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—None.

Q. 17.—“What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—None.

Q. 18.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?”

A.—S. R. Dawson, S. Hitchens, R. L. Woodyard, J. W. Webb, J. W. W. Bolton.

Q. 19.—“Who are the Superannuated Preachers?”

A.—D. S. Benedum, John Birkett, Robert Brooks, Richard L. Brooks, George Crossfield, J. T. Carroll, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hagar, L. E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, Moore McNeel, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, John W. Reger, V. Sanford, H. Scott, A. Stevens, T. H. Trainer, J. B. West, Wm. Wriston, J. A. Williams, R. M. Wallace, J. L. Clark.

Q. 20.—“Was the character of each Preacher examined?”

A.—This was strictly done in open Conference.

Q. 21.—“Have any Died?”

A.—Thomas P. Ryan.

Q. 22.—“Have any been transferred and to what Conference?”

A.—W. G. Matton, to the Blue Ridge Conference; Sanford P. Archer, to the Central Illinois Conference; George M. Kelley, to the Central Illinois Conference; C. J. Price, to the Baltimore Conference; W. E. Loomis, to the North Dakota Conference.

Q. 23.—“Have any withdrawn?”

A.—None.

Q. 24.—“Have any been Located at their own request?”

A.—James S. Boreman.

Q. 25.—“Have any been Located?”

A.—None.

Q. 26.—“Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?”

A.—None.

Q. 27.—“Have any been expelled?”

A.—G. C. Shaw suspended for one year.

Q. 28.—“Who are selected to be the Triers of Appeals?”

A.—L. W. Roberts, G. Martin, U. Pribble, C. W. Upton, A. Mick, G. H. Williams, C. J. Trippett.

Q. 29.—“What is the Statistical Report for this Conference?”

A.—Probationers.	- - - - -	2,773
Full Members,	- - - - -	37,154
Local Preachers.	- - - - -	248

Total	- - - - -	40,175
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(See Statistical Tables.)

Q. 30.—“What are the claims on the Conference Fund?”

A.—\$3,000.

Q. 31.—“What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?”

A.—See Stewards' Report, \$1,991.00.

Q. 32.—“Where are the Preachers Stationed?”

A.—See Appointments.

Q. 33.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?”

A.—Point Pleasant, Mason Co., W. Va.

Clarksburg District.

Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder, 4. Post-Office, Fetterman, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
38	Bridgeport	1	G. Rogers	Bridgeport	Harrison	W. Va.
39	Cherry Camp	1	A. L. Curtis	Cherry Camp	"	"
40	Clarksburg	1	Archibald Moore	Clarksburg	"	"
41	Fairmont	2	C. F. Bollinger	Fairmont	Marion	"
41	Farmington	2	G. Martin	"	"	"
42	Logansport	1	Spencer King	Logansport	"	"
43	Lumberport	1	N. L. Baumgardner	Lumberport	Harrison	"
44	Mannington	1	Chas. E. Clark	Mannington	Marion	"
45	Marion	2	Taylor Richmond	Barracksville	"	"
46	Pine Grove	1	E. S. Withers	Pine Grove	Wetzel	"
47	Pruntytown	1	J. C. Morris	Pruntytown	Taylor	"
48	Quiet Dell	1	W. E. Lovett	Quiet Dell	Harrison	"
49	Salem	1	T. H. Clark	Salem	"	"
50	Smithton	1	W. A. Cheuvront	Smithton	Doddridge	"
51	West Milford	1	J. A. Hammond	West Milford	Harrison	"
52	Wilsonburg	4	B. D. Mahone	Wilsonburg	"	"
53	Worthington	1	John Conwell	Worthington	"	"

54 J. Engle, Missionary to New Mexico.

Guyandotte District.

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M. W. Rider, P. E., 4. Post-office, Guyandotte, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year	PREACHERS	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
56	Cassville	3	J. T. Davis	Fort Gay	Wayne	W. Va.
57	Ceredo	1	A. Merrells	Ceredo	"	"
58	Coal River	2	C. W. Myers (sup)	Peytonia	Boone	"
59	East Hamlin	1	Jas. Kinder (sup)	"	"	"
60	Fairfields	2	A. W. Ownby	Fairfield	Kanaw'a	"
61	Guyandotte	1	S. D. Tamblin	Guyandotte	Cabell	"
62	Hamlin	2	Jas. Herbert (sup)	Hamlin	Lincoln	"
63	Huntington	1	W. W. King	Huntington	Cabell	"
64	Laurel Hill	1	to be supplied	Tooley	Wayne	"
65	Milton	1	S. Gainer	Milton	Cabell	"
66	Monticello	1	G. W. Metheney	Beech Hill	Mason	"
67	St. Albans	1	Frank Fletcher	St. Albans	Kanaw'a	"
68	Wayne	4	B. Darlington	Dickson	Wayne	"
69	Winfield	2	G. W. Marston	Winfield	Putnam	"

Morgantown District.

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J. F. Chenoweth, P. E., 4. Post-office, Palatine, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
71	Arnettsville	1	C. W. Cox	Arnettsville	Monon'a	W. Va.
72	Blacksville	1	C. Warman	Blacksville	"	"
73	Grafton	1	J. H. Hess	Grafton	Taylor	"
74	Halleck	1	E. C. Woodruff	Halleck	Preston	"
75	Jollytown	2	C. W. Upton	Jollytown	Greene	Pa.
76	"	1	Stephen White	"	"	"
77	Kingwood	4	E. H. Orwen	Kingwood	Preston	W. Va.
78	Knottsville	2	J. B. Feather	Knottsville	Taylor	"
79	Littleton	2	E. R. Skidmore	Littleton	Wetzel	"
80	Masontown	2	A. D. Perry	Masontown	Preston	"
81	Morgantown	3	W. R. White	Morgantown	Monon'a	"
82	Morgantown Circuit	2	F. G. W. Ford	Morgantown	"	"
83	Monongalia	2	T. W. Chidester	"	"	"
84	Mount Zion	1	Sam Harris (sup)	Mt. Harmony	Marion	"
85	Palatine	1	J. P. McCormick	Palatine	"	"
86	Tunnelton	2	Wm. P. Weekly	Tunnelton	Preston	"

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New River District.

R. H. Hughes, P. E., 5. Post office, Raleigh C. H., W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
88	Blue Stone	1	W. D. Sanford (sup)	Duhring	Mercer ..	W. Va.
89	Boone	1	A. A. Nichols	Hewitt	Boone ..	"
90	Clay	1	J. Adamson (sup) ..	Tate Creek	Braxton ..	"
91	Concord	1	J. Strader	Concord	Mercer ..	"
92	Elk River	1	A. D. Adams	Osbornes Mills ..	Roane ..	"
93	Fayette	1	J. G. Fugate	Kincaid	Fayette ..	"
94	Flat Top	1	M. Reedy (sup)	Shady Springs ..	Raleigh ..	"
95	Hinchmans	1	G. L. Carder	Bald Knob	Boone ..	"
96	Hinton and Coal Valley	3	J. A. Dixon	Fayette Stat'n ..	Fayette ..	"
97	Mountain Cave	2	W. R. Hennon	Leander	" ..	"
98	Nicholas	1	Wm. Hunter	Keslers Lanes ..	Nicholas ..	"
99	Oceana	1	J. M. Monroe (sup) ..	Oceana	Wyomi'g ..	"
100	Ophelia	1	W. P. Guinn	Ophelia	Nicholas ..	"
101	Pleasant Retreat	3	P. C. Mays	Pleasant Retr't ..	Clay ..	"
102	Raleigh	1	A. L. Hughes	Raleigh C. H. ..	Raleigh ..	"
103	George E. Ward left without appointment to attend school.					

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Oakland District.

Wm. J. Sharpes, P. E., 2. Post office, Oakland, Md.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
105	Albrightsville	3	T. R. Faulkner	Albright	Preston ..	W. Va.
106	Aurora	2	J. C. Rexroad	Aurora	" ..	"
107	Brandonville	1	A. S. Arnett	Brandonville	" ..	"
108	"	1	L. E. Resseger	"	" ..	"
109	Cranesville	1	Jno. Rexroad (sup) ..	Cranesville	Preston ..	"
110	Davis	2	C. E. Shaw	Davis	Grant ..	"
111	Deer Park	1	D. Cool	Deer Park	Garrett ..	Md.
112	Evansville	3	D. A. Friend	Evansville	Preston ..	W. Va.
113	Friendsville	1	D. B. Orr	Friendsville	Garrett ..	Md.
114	Grantsville	1	to be supplied	Grantsville	" ..	"
115	Hambleton	1	R. S. Welsh	Hambleton	Grant ..	W. Va.
116	Hannahsville	1	Levi Cross	Hannahsville ..	Tucker ..	"
117	Newburg	1	G. W. Kepler	Newburg	Preston ..	"
118	Oakland	3	C. J. Trippett	Oakland	Garrett ..	Md.
119	Pleasant Grove	1	M. Knotts	Sinclair	Preston ..	W. Va.
120	Randolph Mission	2	"	"	" ..	"
121	Rowlesburg	1	W. H. Shaw	Rowlesburg	Preston ..	"

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Parkersburg District.

J. A. Fullerton, P. E., 4. Post-office, Parkersburg, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year.	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY.	STATE.
123	Belleville	2	Samuel Eli Jones ..	Belleville	Wood ..	W. Va.
124	Centreville	1	J. W. Hess	Ripley	Tyler ..	"
125	Elisabeth	1	S. P. Crummitt	Wirt C. H.	Wirt ..	"
126	Elisabeth Circuit	1	L. N. Coffield	Newark	" ..	"
127	Ellenboro	1	D. F. Carder	Ellenboro	Ritchie ..	"
128	Harrisville	2	F. H. J. King	Ritchie C. H. ..	" ..	"
129	Kanawha	1	Dan'l Smith (sup) ..	Dallison	Wood ..	"
130	Middlebourne	1	U. Pribble	Middlebourne ..	Tyler ..	"
131	Mount Pleasant	1	H. H. Miles	Ahey	Wood ..	"
132	Parkersburg	2	George E. Hite	Parkersburg	" ..	"
133	Parkersburg Circuit	1	S. J. Cotton	"	" ..	"
134	Pleasants	1	W. H. Hammond	St. Marys	Pleasants ..	"
135	Sistersville	1	W. W. Kelley	Systersville	Tyler ..	"
136	Shiloh	2	J. H. Stratton	Shiloh	" ..	"
137	Smithville	1	Geo. E. Fisher	Van Camp	" ..	"
138	Van Camp	1	to be supplied	"	" ..	"
139	Volcano	1	G. Bleakly	Parkersburg	Wood ..	"
140	West Union	3	W. G. Smith	West Union	Doddrige ..	"
141	Williamstown	2	Wm. J. Harkness	Williamstown ..	Wood ..	"
142	Wm. J. Holt left without appointment to attend school.					
143	Thomas Cotton, State Agent of the American Bible Society.					

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Wheeling District.

Samuel Ernest Jones, P. E., 2. Post-Office, Wheeling, W. Va.

No.	NAMES OF CHARGES.	Year	PREACHERS.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
145	Benwood	1	C. S. Allemong	Benwood	Marshall	W. Va.
146	Cameron	2	F. N. Lynch	Cameron	"	"
147	Dallas	1	H. C. Sanford	Dallas	"	"
148	Fulton	2	C. E. Leatherby	Wheeling	Ohio	"
149	Greene	2	J. T. Eichelberger	Bannen	Marshall	"
150	Marshall	1	L. W. Roberts	Sherrard	"	"
151	Moundsville	4	L. L. Stewart	Moundsville	"	"
152	Moundsville Circuit	2	C. H. Lakin	"	"	"
153	New Martinsville	4	D. S. Hammond	New Mart'ville	Wetzel	"
154	New Martinsville Cir't	2	J. D. Smith (sup)	Green Hill	"	"
155	Pleasant Valley	2	D. A. Denton	Limestone	Marshall	"
156	Short Creek & Liberty	1	B. Ison	West Liberty	Ohio	"
157	Triadelphia	3	T. E. Galway	Traidelphia	"	"
WHEELING.						
158	Chapline Street	2	Wm. G. Rheldaffer	Wheeling	"	"
159	Fourth Street	4	R. F. Randolph	"	"	"
160	North Street	4	M. F. Dryden	"	"	"
161	Thompson Church	3	G. W. Grimes	"	"	"
162	Wesley Chapel	3	D. L. Ash	"	"	"
163	Zane Street	2	C. B. Graham	"	"	"

165 H. R. Blaisdell, President of the Wheeling Female College, member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference.



MEMOIRS.

REV. THOMAS P. RYAN.

Rev. Thomas P. Ryan was born in Fayette county, Virginia, (now West Virginia), December, 23, 1833, where he grew to manhood.

He was the son of W. W. and Sarah D. Ryan, who preceded him by only a few years, to their home in Heaven.

When yet a young man he went to Roane county, where he married Miss Adeline Harper, bought land and settled down to farming. He then cultivated his farm and taught school at intervals, until God convinced him that he was called to a higher and more glorious work.

He was converted in the 32d year of his age, and received license as local preacher in 1867. His License to preach is signed by Rev. R.A. Arthur, then Presiding Elder of the Charleston District.

Having traveled four years as a supply, Brother Ryan was admitted on trial in the West Virginia Conference at its session in Fairmont, March 1874. He was ordained Elder by Bishop Scott in 1877.

He traveled as an itinerant preacher, in all, 17 years, and more than 1200 souls were converted and brought into the church under his labors. He continued in the effective ranks up to the time of his tragic death.

During all the years of his ministry, Brother Ryan's family remained on his farm.

He was a man eminently noted for industry and honesty, in the common affairs of life, and for his devotion to God and the church.

He was one of the purest and best men. In his intercourse with the people in his fields of labor, Brother Ryan's constant theme was Christ and Salvation; and he everywhere made the impression that his one aim was, the glory of God and the good of men. With him nothing was so real as the religion of Jesus; nothing so powerful as the gospel. As a preacher, he was intelligent, scriptural, earnest and popular.

The last two years of his ministry were spent on Charleston Circuit where he had wonderful success. He attended the session of our Conference in Parkersburg in 1887, and was there appointed to East Charleston Circuit, by Bishop Bowman; but he never reached the Circuit. He reached home from Conference on Tuesday night following the close of its session

expecting to remain with his family a few days before going to his new charge; but two days later, on the night of October 13, 1887 at the hour of 11 P. M., the front door of his house was forced open by a band of unknown men, demanding the surrender of his money. Bro. Ryan arose in haste from his bed and with some show of resistance forbade them to enter his room. But they told him they had come for his money, and said: "When we go to a man's house we mean to go in. A'nt you going to give up the money? and further, "If you don't we will shoot you right in there." But Brother Ryan still resisted and told them to come no closer, when a shot was fired in the hall, the ball entering the ceiling, but doing no other damage. Almost simultaneously with this another was fired from the outside of the house, the ball passed through the wall near where Brother Ryan was standing, and striking him in the right side near the hip, passed entirely through his body, and striking the ceiling near the opposite wall fell to the floor. Brother Ryan fell to the floor, and when sufficiently recovered from the shock to speak, he said to his wife, "Mother, I am killed." He crawled across the floor toward where his wife stood, and was assisted up stairs by the only boy that was at home that night.

Mrs. Ryan was the last one to leave that room and go up stairs, leaving their rooms below to be plundered at will by those fiends in human form.

Sister Ryan and four children staid with him in that dark, cold room the remainder of the night, while the wounded man suffered such pain and agony as can never be described by tongue or pen. Though he suffered for water, he would not allow any of his family to go down stairs to get it for him lest they might meet the same sad fate. And when his son said that he would gladly take his place and bear his pain for him if he could, he said, "It is all right. Be a good boy and endeavor to show yourself a man, and tell all your brothers and sisters to meet me in Heaven." He told his family he was dying and asked his daughters to sing for him, which they did.

He said, "Tell my brethren of the Conference how I go." Again he said, "Others know not the suffering of one who has to die in health." As soon as it was daylight his neighbors were notified of the sad tragedy, and came to render all possible assistance. They brought the wounded man down stairs and placed him on a bed, when at 6.30 o'clock, on the morning of October 14, while imitating his divine Lord and Master in praying for his murderers, our dear beloved brother, without a struggle, passed from his bloody couch of suffering to his home of bliss above.

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Brother Ryan leaves to mourn their loss, one brother, Rev E. W. Ryan, of the Detroit Conference, two sisters, the companion who shared with him the toils of life and who stood so bravely by him in the hour of his death, and nine children.

Rev. C. R. Shackelford and J. J. White conducted his funeral service on Sunday, October 16, in the presence of the largest gathering of people that has ever been assembled in that part of the State.

SEBRA BROOKS.

Sebra Brooks, (nee Morgan) was born in Marion county, Virginia, June 18th, 1842, removed with her parents to Randolph county, when 16 years old. She was married to B. B. Brooks August 30th, 1863, and died at the parsonage in Addison, Webster county, West Virginia, February 22d, 1888.

Sister Brooks was converted in February 1864 at the bedside of Rev. R. S. Brooks and joined the M. E. Church and lived a consistent Christian life until death. She was sick some five years, but in all her suffering never expressed a doubt as to her future happiness. She professed the higher attainment in grace, known as sanctification, and as far as one could judge, possessed, enjoyed and lived it. It was the lot of the writer while their pastor, to see Sister Brooks with her husband and some of their children pass through some of the severe trials and sorrows of earth. It was when the diphtheria in its most malignant form entered their home and took three of their children in a very short time. Under these severe afflictions she manifested the most perfect Christian resignation. Her opportunities for Christian work were very limited on account of waning health and family cares, but her soul was in it. She endured hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. And no doubt at all she has gone to the land where shadows, shades, sorrow and affliction come no more.

MRS. J. J. DOLLIVER.

Eliza Jane Dolliver died in Fort Dodge, Iowa, March 1, 1888, aged sixty-one years. She possessed many of the characteristics of the early examples of a self-denying Christian life. She was born, and until she came to Iowa in 1881, lived among the hills and mountains of West Virginia. Her immediate friends and relatives were leading and influential citizens of Virginia. She was converted in early life, and became an earnest and devoted Christian. She was married in 1855, to the Rev. J. J. Dolliver, and for thirty-three years she was the wife of a Methodist minister. More than twenty-five of these years her husband was in the

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active work of the traveling ministry in the West Virginia Conference. Frequently during the absence of her husband for many weeks at a time upon his circuit, she had the entire management of the household, the care of the children, and the charge of her aged father and mother in their declining years; and in addition to these domestic duties, she always found time for active religious work and benevolent efforts in the community and in the church. That she was a woman of exceptional strength of character is illustrated in the children who followed her with sorrowing hearts to the grave. On Sunday morning, January 8, 1888, she suffered a stroke of paralysis in the left side, and although she rallied so as to encourage the hope that its effects would soon pass away, on Monday evening it was followed by another and severer stroke which rendered her entirely helpless and speechless, after which she was never able to utter a word, although she retained consciousness until a few hours before her death. The only member of the family at home when she was stricken down, besides the aged husband, was Miss Gay. After nearly eight weeks death came, and her spirit took its flight to God who gave it. The aged husband, whose Christian character and unselfish love for men has won all hearts in this community, still lives to share the home, enjoy the care, and bless the lives of the devoted sons and daughters. It is not often the world is blessed by the example of a character so symmetrical as that of Mrs. Dolliver. The writer has frequently heard her prayers and testimonies in the social meetings of the church. Her cheerful views of life and bright anticipations of the future, as well as the satisfaction with which she reviewed her life of toil and deprivation in behalf of the church, always gave to her words a zest and interest which attracted every eye and touched every heart in her presence. There was not a particle of social caste in her nature. No person was ever buried from the Methodist church in Fort Dodge, for whose death expressions of sorrow were so universal. Old and young, rich and poor, white and black, all alike, crowded the church to pay a last tribute of respect to this kindly and Christian woman. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. L. H. Woolworth, pastor of the church, assisted by the Rev. L. L. West, of the Congregational Church; Rev. E. R. Newcomb, of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. H. Snow, Methodist pastor at Manson, and the Presiding Elder, Rev. J. W. Walker.

C. R. SHACKELFORD,
B. DARLINGTON,
C. B. MEREDITH,
C. WARMAN,

Members of Committee.

Reports of Standing Committees.

Education.

The Methodist Episcopal Church from the beginning of her history has been the patron of sanctified learning as an efficient means of spiritual power. Her record is one of which we may well boast. The witnesses of this record greet us in every direction. Her numerous schools, seminaries, colleges, universities and theological institutions are her monuments. That scholarly minister of holiness, John Wesley, displayed his wonderful genius when he became author and publisher of works on science and general literature. He strove to make the people called Methodists a *reading* people.

His co-laborers were in unison with him in creed and practice. Many of them excelled in the higher departments of learning. Among the many instrumentalities he employed were public schools. Asbury, who perhaps, was not inferior to Wesley as an organizer, was a scholar and called to his aid the same agencies. Cokesbury College, named after Coke and Asbury, was one of the first if not the first step in this direction. One hundred and four years ago Asbury started a school called Ebenezer School, in Virginia. Another called Bethel was established in Kentucky. Randolph Macon seems to have been the outcome of that in Virginia.

The experience of more than a hundred years shows the wisdom of the policy inaugurated by these pioneers of Methodism and ought to inspire us of the present age to greater activity in this department of christian work. A glorious galaxy of scholarly saints adorns the history of our church.

As the area of human knowledge enlarges, and oppositions of science, falsely so called, become more frequent, the church demands men who keep abreast of the age. She needs champions fully equipped to contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. Wise and holy men have recognized how great a factor the denominational schools are in evangelizing the world. Our brethren of the Catholic Church carry

this idea to extremes. They see in *their* parochial system the strategy by which they hope to conquer the nations. That wonderful ecclesiastical organization declines to let the state, or any other church than their own, control the education of children. With less sectarian or clannish design Methodism has felt similar solicitude. In our own state it must be confessed there has not been that enthusiasm which the subject demands. We have been very slow to perceive the importance of the matter, though at every meeting of our conference distinguished educators honor us with visits. They are the representatives of flourishing educational institutions which throw their portals hospitably wide to welcome our girls and boys to their halls. We have been under the effects of a centrifugal force which draws away our youth to other states, and when that tide of young people streams across the Ohio River and feels the impulse of enterprise and activity, which is electric with commercial and social enthusiasm, many of them lose their love for these glorious West Virginia hills. Our policy, our interest and our duty suggests a new departure. We must have a counteracting centripetal force which will call back these refugees to their homes.

The question has been asked repeatedly, "Where shall we educate our children?" The nobler instincts of a man are not more conspicuous than when he struggles to give his children the legacy of a first-class education. He does not care so much to leave his children money as to have them well trained in mental culture.

We have been advised to "build up centres of power." We propose to follow this advice. Having taken initial steps we now appeal to the honor and the conscience of the Methodists "to lend us a hand." Our Conference Seminary has been located at Buckhannon. There are many reasons that demonstrate

THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE SITE.

It is situated in a valley distinguished for natural beauty, surrounded by a pure atmosphere and a country abounding in wonderful mineral, lumber and agricultural wealth; it waits only the opportunity to demonstrate the wisdom of the policy that selected the site.

Eight large counties will be the natural patrons of this school

when opened. Hundreds of pupils who have mastered the elementary curriculum of the common schools long for one that will place them under better auspices. In these counties Methodism is the prevalent sect. There are more than six thousand members enrolled on the church record in Buckhannon District, with an equal number of citizens not members but friends of our church will swell the amount to twelve thousand, from whom we may look for a reasonable patronage. They cannot conveniently or economically go elsewhere. Students from the more densely populated counties will inevitably drift toward this centre. The opportunity is a golden one, to let it pass unimproved will be a great blunder. It should be crowded to its utmost. "The mill never grinds with the water that is past."

The enterprise undertaken is one of magnitude to us, and its magnitude instead of disheartening ought to inspire. Forty thousand Methodists are a strong army; under God they can accomplish wonders. The school *can* be; it is for us to say, it *shall* be.

Brethren, permit us to suggest a plan by which the necessary financial assistance can be obtained. Let each pastor group the members of his charge into sections of twenty-five or more and appoint a solicitor to each of these sections who shall canvass for this purpose and obtain in small amounts from each, and report to the pastor. The amount so collected should be sent to the treasurer of the Board of Trustees, Hon. B. F. Martin, Grafton, W. Va.

These collections should be taken before the first of July, 1889. The small sum of ten cents from each member will give us four thousand dollars, and twenty-five cents will give us ten thousand, and fifty cents from each will secure twenty thousand dollars. These solicitors could increase this amount very largely by donations from persons not members of the church. The Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society has agreed to rebate all the sums collected in our conference to the trustees of the proposed school and it is possible that the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church may indirectly, if not directly, in its avowed purpose "to increase the efficiency of all educational agencies," become a patron of our school.

Our convictions grow stronger the more we reflect on this subject, that this enterprise will be of superlative value to the church and the state, and we deem it a failure to put this school into active operation before two years shall have expired will be a calamity. Certain important industrial measures are now projected in our state, which will co-operate with us in making this school a success.

We close this report with a necessarily brief allusion to the institutions which are entitled to receive respectful considerations.

The Wheeling Female College is reported as being in a prosperous condition. The curriculum has been advanced and the faculty consists of able instructors. The fact that it is so desirably located in one of our own cities gives it special claims on our patronage.

MT. UNION,

under its new president, Rev. L. P. Marsh, D. D., starts out on a new career with 540 students on the roster of last year.

BEAVER COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE,

numbers among its instructors and students ladies from our own State and is in a healthy condition.

PITTSBURG FEMALE COLLEGE,

occupies a high rank among the educational institutions of Methodism. Its departments are well officered. Its curriculum is comprehensive and elevated. Its president is scholarly, conservative and enthusiastic.

OUR THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS,

Drew Theological, Boston Theological, and Evanston demand a more extended notice than the present report gives them. The ripest talent of our connection is subsidized to make our Theological Schools the first among the best. And not only talent but also practical piety blesses the teachers in these Institutions. All the means of grace that foster practical and experimental righteousness are a part of the training necessary to make a christian minister useful as a pastor and a religious teacher.

OHIO WESLEYAN COLLEGE

maintains its high grade, and offers special inducements which may be learned from its annual catalogue.

SCIO COLLEGE,

a young but prosperous school, under the direction of its new president, Rev. Dr. Smith, is deserving of favorable notice.

ALLEGHANY COLLEGE

is still on the upward grade. It is superfluous to speak its praise. We recommend the passage of the following, which explains itself:

WHEREAS, It is believed that certain modifications of the charter of Alleghany College are necessary, we request the appointment of Samuel Woods and W. R. White to represent this conference in a joint committee of the four patronizing conferences, which committee shall consider the subject with a view of reporting to the Trustees of the College at their annual meeting in June next, and afterwards to the several conferences for final action.

THE WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY,

though not a denominational Institution, is one which, as citizens, we should endeavor to make an honor to the State, and in the prosperity of which we ought to rejoice.

The number attending this school ought to be five-fold its present roll. Morgantown, the seat of this College, is in a beautiful and healthy valley, and ought to attract that patronage which is needed to make this University the rival of any in the land.

We recommend the following appointments:

Alleghany College—Board of Control—Hon. A. M. Poundstone, Hon. Samuel Woods, Rev. L. H. Jordan and Rev. R. F. Randolph. *Visiting Committee*.—Dr. J. A. Fullerton and J. C. Bardall.

Ohio Wesleyan University—Trustee.—G. W. Atkinson. *Visiting Committee*.—Revs. S. E. Jones and C. B. Graham.

Mt. Union College.—George E. Hite, G. W. Atkinson and A. L. Wade. *Visiting Committee*.—L. W. Roberts and W. G. Riheldaffer.

Beaver Female College—Visitors.—L. L. Stewart, and F. N. Lynch.

Wheeling Female College—Visitors.—H. C. Sanford and C. B. Graham.

Pittsburg Female College—Visitors.—M. F. Dryden, J. W. Webb.

Scio College.—J. W. W. Bolton and C. S. Allemong.

W. R. WHITE, Secretary.

Reports of Board of Stewards.

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from their charges and report the following amounts received for Conference Claimants:

From Wheeling District.....	\$540 00
" Parkersburg ".....	189 15
" Morgantown ".....	174 00
" Buckhannon ".....	135 15
" Oakland ".....	132 00
" Clarksburg ".....	105 73
" Charleston ".....	62 00
" Guyandotte ".....	45 75
" New River ".....	28 22
Total amounts from Districts.....	\$1,412 00
Received from dividend from Book Concern.....	340 00
" from Chartered Fund.....	30 00
" Interest on Permanent Fund.....	207 00
Total Receipts.....	\$1,989 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Widow Blundon.....\$ 10 00	Paid to..... A. Mick.
" " Richmond..... 10 00	" D. A. Denton.
" " Burns..... 15 00	" Samuel Earnest Jones.
" " Irwin..... 25 00	" Joseph Lee.
" Children of Widow Hartley..... 150 00	" Samuel Earnest Jones.
" Widow Monroe..... 75 00	" R. B. Ward.
" " Battelle..... 10 00	" Secretary.
" " Weaver..... 125 00	" Secretary.
" " Young..... 147 00	" N. H. Prince.
" " Parriot..... 100 00	" F. N. Lynch.
" " Heaston..... 100 00	" Secretary.
" " Steele..... 125 00	" W. E. Lovett.
" " Beckley..... 25 00	" H. C. Sanford.
" " Laughlin..... 130 00	" W. J. Sharpes.
" " Heatherly..... 10 00	" B. Darlington.
" " Connor..... 50 00	" L. L. Stewart.
" " Kurtz..... 40 00	" C. H. Lakin.
" " Ryan..... 50 00	" J. M. Warden.
" Rev. J. J. Dolliver..... 40 00	" G. E. Hite.
" " B. Hagar..... 50 00	" J. P. McCormick.
" " R. L. Brooks..... 65 00	" B. B. Brooks.
" " D. S. Benedum..... 50 00	" Self.
" " W. Wriston..... 20 00	" R. H. Hughes.
" " Geo. Crossfield..... 15 00	" J. A. Fullerton.
" " R. Northcraft..... 100 00	" Self.
" " J. B. West..... 25 00	" J. A. Fullerton.
" " J. T. Carroll..... 100 00	" A. Mick.
" " R. M. Wallace..... 100 00	" Self.
" " A. Steavens..... 40 00	" Chenoweth.
" " T. H. Trainer..... 80 00	" Self.
" " J. L. Clark..... 80 00	" Self.
" " B. B. Brooks..... 10 00	" Self.
" " O. B. Hughes, son	
of Rev. T. M. Hughes..... 9 50	" W. E. Lovett.
" Son of Widow Hughes..... 9 50	" F. N. Lynch.

Total disbursements\$1,991 00

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN BAILIE, Secretary.

W. E. LOVETT, President.

W. F. M. Society.

Annual report of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society,
West Virginia Conference Division, by Mrs. F. Heermans,
Conference Secretary, Kingwood, W. Va. :

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 1888.

Wheeling District—Mrs. S. E. Moore, District Sec'y, Moundsville, W. Va.

Fourth Street, including Thoburn and Randolph Bands	\$ 237 62
Zane Street.....	41 75
Wesley Chapel.....	13 00
Thompson Church, including Summer Band	40 50
Triadelphia	15 00
Moundsville, including "Kings Daughter's" and Moore Band....	147 55
McLean's Chapel.....	35 50
Cameron	12 90
Short Creek, by Mrs. Rebecca McColloch.	1 00
Total.....	\$544 82

Morgantown and Oakland Districts—Mrs. F. Heermans, Sec'y, Kingwood,
W. Va.

Morgantown.....	\$ 16 88
Kingwood, including "Busy Bee's"	72 65
Palatine.....	11 40
Albrightsville	60 54
Laurel Point.....	12 00
Grafton	13 50
Friendsville, Md., through Rev. Arnett.....	5 00
Masontown.....	1 00
Evansville	2 00
Mountain Lake Park.....	10 00
Total.....	\$204 97

Parkersburg District—Mrs. A. E. Baldwin, Sec'y, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Parkersburg.....	66 00
Total	\$ 66 00

Guyandotte District—No Secretary

Huntington	52 00
Milton Charge, through Rev. G. W. Metheny.....	5 00
Total.....	\$ 57 00

Buckhannon District—No Secretary.

Mrs. Rev. R. L. Brooks.....	\$ 1 00
Mrs. M. G. Shaw.....	1 00
Total.....	\$ 2 00
From Mrs. L. A. Hagans, Elmhurst, Ill.....	\$ 25 00

ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on temperance submit the following as the sentiment of this Conference on the subject of temperance and prohibition: We are as unalterably opposed to the drink habit and the traffic in intoxicating liquors as ever; and we reiterate with emphasis the utterance of our Bishops in their quadrennial address to the last General Conference, that "the liquor traffic can never be legalized without sin;" and that license, high or low, is vicious in principle, and is no remedy for the evils of intemperance. The economic and christian position would seem to be total abstinence for the individual and legal prohibition for the state; this regards the question as belonging both to the realm of morals and of politics, in its broad and comprehensive sense. The question presses upon the people of W. Va., as it has never done before. The proposed prohibitory Amendment to our state constitution is now before the people for ratification or rejection, at the coming November election.

This fact invests it with unusual interest and demands for it the best thought, the wisest counsel and the most energetic action of every christian and patriot, for its defeat would be a great calamity. Therefore we call upon all the friends of the measure to aid in its adoption by talking for it, by working for it, by giving money for it and by voting for it. This can be done by voters of all political parties, as the Amendment is before the people as a non-partisan measure as all constitutional Amendments should be. In view of the efforts being put forth by the liquor power to defeat the Amendment by sending into our state large sums of money and the disseminating of documents opposed to prohibition, we recommend the raising of funds for the distribution of such temperance literature as will counteract the pernicious influence of the former, and as members of this Conference we agree to preach a sermon in behalf of the Amendment at each of our appointments, beginning with the second Sunday in October, at the close of which we will ask for a contribution for the purpose above named. We request the ministers of all other denominations to do like wise. We further recommend that the chairman of the Prohibition Amendment League of W. Va., the Rev. A. B. Rohrbough, be requested to communicate this suggestion to the Ministers of other denominations,

and we will co-operate with him and them in holding and arranging for weekday meetings in the interest of the Amendment in the counties in which our pastoral changes may be located. We pledge ourselves to earnest and faithful work until after the election. And if the Amendment fails, it shall not be on account of our lack of effort in its behalf.

Respectfully,

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, Chairman.

B. B. EVANS, Secretary.



RECAPITULATION.

Wheeling District.....	\$ 544 82
Morgantown and Oakland Districts.....	204 97
Parkersburg District.....	66 00
Guyandotte District.....	57 00
Buckhannon District.....	2 00
Mrs. L. A. Hagans.....	25 00
Grand Total.....	\$ 899 79
Grand Total for last year.....	\$ 660 56
Increase.....	\$ 239 23



On Bible Cause.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The Holy Scriptures are indispensable in disseminating the knowledge of God, and the principles of virtue and good morals among all nations; and,

WHEREAS, Our Home and Foreign Missions are dependent upon the American Bible Society chiefly for success of these Missions; and,

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society grants liberal donations of Bibles and Testaments to Missions, Sunday Schools, and to the poor and destitute in our country without money and without price,

Resolved, That we, as a conference, retain an abiding interest in the Society, that we present its claims to the liberality of our people, and that we cordially co-operate with its agents in prompting a wider circulation of the Word of God among the people.

GEO. H. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

D. F. CORDER, Secretary.

Apportionment of Benevolent Collections.

DISTRICTS.	Mission ary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedman's Aid.	S. S. Union Society.	Tracts.	General Conference.
Morantown.....	793	354	108	151	107	30	30	21
Wheeling.....	1751	830	241	319	250	40	40	41
Oakland.....	520	240	72	102	80	25	25	18
Clarksburg.....	793	354	108	151	100	30	30	21
Buckhannon.....	685	300	90	129	90	25	25	20
Parkersburg.....	793	354	108	151	170	30	30	21
Charleston.....	515	240	72	104	75	20	20	18
Guyandotte.....	400	180	54	76	48	13	13	11
New River.....	350	150	47	68	43	12	12	10
	6600	3002	900	1251	963	225	225	181

Missionary Appropriations.

The Committee on Missions offer the following report :

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Littleton	\$100
Tunnelton	100
Masontown	50
Palatine	50
Mt. Zion	22

\$322

WHEELING DISTRICT.

New Martinsville	\$90
New Martinsville Circuit	80
Fulton	85

\$255

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Charleston District	\$150
East Charleston	50
Jackson	50
Mill Creek	86
Raymond City	50
Ripley	100
Reedy	40
Walton	50
Danville	40
Calhoun	50

\$666

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Belington	\$ 50
Canaan	40
East Buckhannon	40
Freemansburg	30
Glady	40
South Buckhannon	35
Troy	35
Webster	70
Mingo	25

\$365

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

Guyandotte District	\$285
Guyandotte	115
Monticello	100
Milton	100
Winfield	75
St. Albans	60
Coal River	45
Fairfields	70
Cassville	125
Ceredo	70
Laurel	25
East Hamlin	40

\$1110

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Mt. Pleasant	\$100
Van Camps	80
Elizabeth Circuit	50
Volcano	50
Kanawha	40

\$320

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Worthington	\$60
Pine Grove	50
Marion	60
Salem	50
Farmington	40
Logansport	40
Cherry Camp	50

\$350

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

New River District	\$250
Raleigh	50
Pleasant Retreat	30
Elk River	30
Flat Top	50
Concord	85
Clay	50
Fayette	50
Hinchman	80
Boon	86
Oceana	60
Ophelia	65
Mt. Cove	30
Hinton	85
Blue Stone	75

\$1076

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Aurora	\$ 25
Davis	50
Deer Park	120
Cranesville	25
Hambleton	50
Hannahsville	100
Randolph Mission	81
Rowlesburg	50

\$501

L. H. JORDAN, Chairman.

J. F. CHENOWETH, Sec'y.

I hereby concur.

R. S. FOSTER.

Secretary's Report.

Conference Minutes.

RECEIPTS.

Cash over from last year,	\$199 61
Received from preachers and advertisements,	311 87
Total,	\$511 48
Printing Minutes,	\$216 00
Engraving,	15 00
Postage, Freight, Wrapping, &c.,	60 00
Total,	\$291 00
Balance	\$220 48
Collection for Secretary,	11 77
Total,	\$232 25
Due Secretary last year,	10 56
Expenses during year,	18 75
Total,	\$ 29 31
Balance,	202 94
Paid A. J. Lyda Financial Agent of Conference	
Seminary from Secretary Fund, being one-	
half of subscription,	\$ 50 00
Balance in Secretary's hands,	\$152 94

W. G. RHELDAFFER, Secretary.

Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your committee on periodicals and book accounts, after a careful examination of the statements submitted to us, report as follows:

Notwithstanding our publishing interests are now multitudinous, there has been a gratifying increase all along the line during the past year, in circulation, sales and profits. A few of our many periodicals have slightly declined in circulation, but this is more than counterbalanced by the large increase of the many. Accompanying this report is a copy of the action of the late General Conference, relative to the coming centennial of our Book Concern, which the agents of the Western Book Concern desire us to make a part of our report that it may be printed in the Minutes. We trust it will be the pleasure of the conference to append it to this report.

J. T. EICHELBERGER, Chairman.

Action of the General Conference Concerning the Centennial of the Book Concern.

WHEREAS, The Book Concern of the Methodist Episcopal Church will complete its centennial year in 1889; and *whereas*, God has favored this agency of the Church with wonderful success, crowning the century with a quadrennial term of unprecedented prosperity, enabling the agents to make a dividend and thank-offering of \$100,000 for the centennial year; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the year 1889 be observed with such special services for thanksgiving to God for the prosperity vouchsafed to this oldest institution of the Church as shall inaugurate a new epoch in the history of the Book Concern, and insure from our people a more intelligent and hearty co-operation in promoting our publishing interests; and to this end let every pastor preach during the month of January, at least one sermon appropriate to this anniversary, embracing the following points:

- (a) The origin and growth of our publishing-houses.
- (b) Their relation to the spread of Methodism and practical Christianity.
- (c) Their relation to the support of our disabled ministers, their dependent widows and children.

2. At each annual conference during the year let an evening be set apart for the observance of the Centennial of the Book Concern, with

addresses from the Agents and others. Let the bishops as far as possible, give special encouragement to these anniversary exercises by their presence and exhortations.

3. Let the presiding elders provide for anniversary exercises at their district conferences, devoting at least one session to this subject.

4. Let our Church periodicals of every grade join to promote the success of this jubilee.

5. Let the people everywhere unite to make this a glad year for the worthy claimants upon the Book Concern by purchasing from our houses every needed supply of books, periodicals, and Sunday-school supplies.

6. To stimulate all to hearty co-operation and enthusiastic effort, let it be understood that the largest per cent of net profits consistent with the demands of the business, shall be distributed as dividends to the annual conferences during the year 1890 for the benefit of the claimants on this fund.

Permanent Fund.

The money on hand at the last Conference was to Brother W. W. Kelley, he giving his note and a deed of trust on his real estate as security. The interest on the fund, amounting to \$207, has been paid to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer

Educational Fund.

By order of the conference the loans of \$100.00 to Brother Riheldaffer, and to Brother Allemong were paid to them; they giving their notes with security.

Brother Lowther has paid the balance on his note; and Bro. M. F. Compton has paid \$50.00 on his indebtedness to the Educational Fund. Brother D. W. Smith has also paid his note of \$50.00.

JAMES L. CLARK, Treasurer.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.

Your committee, on examining the accounts of the Presiding Elders find them properly receipted and correct.

Respectfully submitted.

W. J. HARKNESS, Chairman.

U. PRIBBLE, Secretary.

Parsonages and Furniture.

Your committee on Parsonages and Furniture beg leave to submit the following report :

WHEREAS, There are almost one-half of our, nearly 150 Pastoral Charges, and all of our nine Presiding Elders' Districts, without Parsonages, and,

WHEREAS, This lack is entailing large expense upon our people annually to meet accruing rents which in some instances are very burdensome,

Resolved, That Pastors Official Boards and Parsonage Committees be requested to take immediate action looking towards the securing of comfortable houses for ministerial residences on charges where there are none.

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend the Presiding Elders, and their respective Boards of District Stewards, early take the necessary and needed steps to secure comfortable District parsonages at suitable places in their respective Districts, and

Resolved, We further urge that the Parsonages as soon as practicable be furnished with at least all necessary heavy furniture.

Respectively Submitted,

L. D. HAINES, Chairman.

E. D. W. KING, Secretary.

District Conferences.

Your committee on District Conference Journals wish to make the following report:

These Journals as far as they have come into our hands, viz: from Oakland District, are found to be substantially correct.

Respectfully Submitted.

N. H. PRINCE.

A. S. ARNETT.

C. W. UPTON.

On Chaplaincy.

Your committee on the Chaplaincy of the United States Army, fully indorsing the action of the last General Conference, present the same for adoption by the West Virginia Conference as our report, namely :

Resolutions Concerning Army Chaplains, Adopted by the General Conference of the M. E. Church, at N. Y., May, 1888.

WHEREAS, It is the practice of Christian Nations to recognize the religious and moral needs of their armies, and to provide for the administration of the ordinances of the religion of their armies to them, and for the religious instruction of their officers and soldiers through ministers of the Gospel, supported by the State ; and

WHEREAS, The United States has only partially done this by making provisions for chaplains, heretofore in very inadequate numbers and, in very many cases without due regard to individual fitness for that office : and

WHEREAS, There are 135 posts and stations, as shown by the United States Army Register for 1888, and but 34 chaplains provided for all ; and

WHEREAS, The provision made by the United States for the support of its army chaplains is nearly the same for all of whatever age or length of service, and gives them no prospect or hope of advancement ; and

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the churches to present the needs of the army in this matter to our Congress :

Resolved, 1. That we believe it the duty of the Government, in order to promote morality and religion in the army, to provide chaplains in suitable numbers and of suitable qualifications for the army, and we respectfully recommend to Congress that provision be made by law for a corps of at least one hundred chaplains for the army, on the general plan of the medical corps now existing in the army ; we believe that the need for this corps of chaplains is urgent and should met without delay.

2. That we also recommend that due provision be made by law for securing suitable ministers for the corps of chaplains by examination of candidates by army chaplains experienced in the needs and requirements of the military service ; we believe that no chaplain should be appointed by the President except upon the advice of such examiners

3. We believe that the peculiar duties of army chaplains require to be begun by the chaplain early in his ministry with health, strength of character and thorough preparation for the work, which is very different, in

many of its modes and relations, from the ordinary labors of the ministry, and that the methods for appointment of army chaplains should secure these qualifications; in return for these requirements we believe there should be provision made for advancement (analogous to the advancement to larger) and more influential churches which exists in the Church at large) of duly qualified chaplains who have served faithfully, efficiently and long; this after examination by their own corps, as now for medical officers.

4. That we believe the failure of army chaplains to achieve more success in their labors has been largely due to the isolation and lack of opportunities for consultation for mutual advice, assistance and encouragement, as is the universal practice in the ministry, and that provision should be made for one or more annual assemblies for conference of army chaplains with a view to promote the success of their labors; we believe very large benefits will result from such a conference, by enabling chaplains to compare methods, exchange views, instruct novices, inspire the discouraged, and devise improved methods of work.

C. W. UPTON.

G. MARTIN.

J. W. W. BOLTON.

Suspension of George C. Shaw.

The Committee, to whom was referred the case of Geo. C. Shaw, a member of the West Virginia Conference, charged with immorality, report that after hearing the charges and specifications, the evidence and the pleadings, find the specifications of charges Nos. 1 and 3 sustained, and the charges Nos. 1 and 3 sustained; and while under different circumstances the crime should be punished with expulsion from the Ministry and the Church, in view of his youth and other extenuating circumstances, Geo. C. Shaw, was suspended from all ministerial junctions in the Methodist Episcopal Church for one year.

W. R. WHITE, President.

M. F. DRYDEN, Secretary.

Sept. 28th, 1888.

Missionary Collections by Districts.

		Increase.	Decrease.			Increase.	Decrease.
MISSIONARY				FOR EDUCATION			
Buckhannon Dis't.	\$488 00	\$103 64		Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 34 00		4 41
Charleston "	204 20	23 20		Charleston "	21 25	2 35	
Clarksburg "	381 00		56 00	Clarksburg "	31 60		3 83
Guyandotte "	83 50		33 30	Guyandotte "	4 75		5 25
Morgantown "	545 00	12 00		Morgantown "	59 00		3 75
New River "	81 16		22 15	New River "	4 00		1 00
Oakland "	377 00		111 00	Oakland "	11 00		25 00
Parkersburg "	702 57	124 57		Parkersburg "	63 62		14 23
Wheeling "	1674 50	230 50		Wheeling "	119 07	4 82	
Total	4536 93			Total	348 23		
Last Year	4255 47			Last Year	398 69		
Increase	\$281 46			Decrease	\$ 50 40		
BISHOP'S FUND				S. S. UNION.			
Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 45 00	3 37		Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 8 00		1 00
Charleston "	25 00		1 00	Charleston "	2 55		2 45
Clarksburg "	54 00	7 00		Clarksburg "	8 50	1 50	
Guyandotte "	11 50		1 50	Guyandotte "	3 00		2 00
Morgantown "	74 00		2 00	Morgantown "	12 00		
New River "	13 75		5 25	New River "			2 00
Oakland "	53 00		6 00	Oakland "	10 05	1 00	
Parkersburg "	63 00		3 00	Parkersburg "	11 00	3 00	
Wheeling "	197 67	45 92		Wheeling "	32 50	5 50	
Total	536 92			Total	87 55		
Last Year	490 75			Last Year	84 00		
Increase	\$ 37 17			Increase	\$ 3 55		
CHURCH EXTENSION				TRACT CAUSE			
Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 37 90	17 90		Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 7 95		2 05
Charleston "	20 00		3 00	Charleston "	3 20		1 80
Clarksburg "	20 50	5 50		Clarksburg "	6 00		
Guyandotte "	6 50		4 50	Guyandotte "	1 00		2 00
Morgantown "	40 00		1 00	Morgantown "	11 00		
New River "	5 05		10 95	New River "	1 00		50
Oakland "	24 00		14 00	Oakland "	7 00		3 00
Parkersburg "	48 00		7 00	Parkersburg "	7 62		3 88
Wheeling "	139 00	14 00		Wheeling "	31 00	4 00	
Total	340 95			Total	75 77		
Last Year	343 00			Last Year	85 00		
Decrease	\$ 2 05			Decrease	\$ 9 23		
FREEDMAN'S AID.				AM'CAN BIBLE SOC'Y			
Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 38 37	6 37		Buckhannon Dis't.	\$ 32 30	12 00	
Charleston "	15 00	4 00		Charleston "	44 50		1 62
Clarksburg "	16 50	50		Clarksburg "	21 50		3 00
Guyandotte "	5 00		5 00	Guyandotte "	12 10	2 10	
Morgantown "	30 00	1 00		Morgantown "	43 00	8 00	
New River "	2 00		5 00	New River "	1 04		14 96
Oakland "	43 00		1 00	Oakland "	13 00		95
Parkersburg "	46 50	22 50		Parkersburg "	60 44	18 17	
Wheeling "	144 25	43 75		Wheeling "	68 07		13 20
Total	340 62			Total	295 95		
Last Year	272 50			Last Year	289 61		
Increase	\$ 68 12			Increase	\$ 6 34	400 00	

[For Total Collections, see next page.]

Missionary Collections--Continued.

TOTAL COLLECTIONS.

Missionary.....	\$4 536 93
Bishops' Fund.....	536 92
Church Extension.....	340 95
Freedman's Aid.....	340 62
Educational.....	348 29
Sunday School Union.....	87 55
Tract Cause.....	75 77
American Bible Society.....	295 95
Total.....	6 562 98
Last Year.....	6 228 02
Increase.....	\$ 334 96

Report on General Conference Entertainment.

Your Committee on General Conference Entertainment desire to submit the following report :

The expenses of the recent General Conference amounted to \$13,835.07 over and above the receipts from all sources. To provide for this deficiency, an apportionment has been made to the several annual conferences upon the bases of deficit of each annual conference in responding to the apportionment hitherto made by the commission on General Conference Entertainment. The amount apportioned to West Virginia Conference was \$569; paid, \$398.08; leaving unpaid, \$170.92, which we apportion to the several districts as follows :

Buckhannon.....	\$20 00	New River.....	\$10 00
Charleston.....	18 00	Oakland.....	18 00
Clarksburg.....	21 00	Parkersburg.....	21 00
Guyandotte.....	11 00	Wheeling.....	41 00
Morgantown.....	21 00		

Said money to be collected and sent to J. M. Phillips, Treasurer of the Commission, at 805 Broadway, New York.

W. G. SMITH,
ASBY STEVENS,
M. KNOTTS,
Committee.

Report of Committee on Missions.

We, your Committee on Missions, submit the following :

The M. E. Church having in all her past history regarded the missionary work as one, if not her greatest, arm of power for the spread of the gospel, the building up of her institutions and the salvation of souls, therefore we, as a committee, would urge upon each pastor of this Conference the importance of this great work, and press upon him the propriety of taking up the collection for this cause very early in the Conference year.

We suggest the propriety of making a personal effort with every member upon each charge, and, when practical, to solicit donations from those who are not members of the church.

We regard the support given this cause by the West Virginia Conference as far below what it should be, and confidently believe, if as pastors, we would ask of God to increase in our hearts a more earnest zeal for this great work, that far greater results would be accomplished, and our full assessment would be raised ; to this end be it

Resolved 1, That we, as pastors, will endeavor to have our missionary assessments all collected from our congregations by the 1st of Jan., 1889.

Resolved, 2, That each pastor shall see that all our Sabbath Schools, that continue through the entire year, are organized into missionary schools by the first Sabbath in November, and all schools organized in the spring be organized into missionary schools on the day of organization as Sabbath-schools.

Resolved, 3, That each Presiding Elder shall be required to see that each pastor upon his District carries out the above resolutions in full.

Submitted.

C. POLING, Chairman.

H. H. MILES, Secretary.

Observance of the Sabbath.

It is evident to any one who observes the condition of affairs in this country to day, that the sacredness of the Christian Sabbath is imperiled, and that the tendency is strongly toward the introduction of the Sabbath of Continental Europe. So much progress has already been made in this direction that it may be truthfully affirmed, to the shame of our christian civilization, that there is no Christian Sabbath in any city of any considerable size on the American continent, and in many of the cities it is the worst observed day in the week.

Open saloons and beer gardens, street parades, picnics, excursions,

and all kinds of public games and amusements on this holy day, which tend to distract the minds of the people, and bring the day into disrepute. Because of the strong current which sets in this direction, the christian church should take the most radical grounds. This is no imaginary menace, exaggerated into something frightful by the excited imaginations of a few old fashioned people and religious enthusiasts, as those who fail to see its danger claim; it is a real, and a colossal peril. It should not be trifled with.

And the danger is heightened by the fact that hitherto the church in many instances has looked lightly upon these infractions, has lifted up no voice against them, and has encouraged, in ways that are well known, and which certainly cannot meet with God's approval, this wide-spread and increasing desecration.

In our own Conference there are certain camp meetings which encourage the desecration of the Sabbath by keeping open gates on Sunday, by advertising the Sunday service with posters and hand-bills, by running excursion trains to and from the grounds, and by charging regular gate fees for admission, thereby making the Sabbath a day of special attraction for purposes of speculation, and involving the church in its profanation.

Therefore, in consideration of these things,

Resolved, 1st, That we reaffirm and indorse the action of the last General Conference on the Sabbath question in which it uses the following forcible language: " We condemn the practice of camp-meetings and Sunday school assemblies of our church in keeping open gates and charging admission fees on the Sabbath day."

Resolved, 2d, That so far as our own Conference is concerned, we will not attend, or co-operate in any way with any camp meeting, or association, that permits the desecrations which have already been mentioned.

Resolved, 3d, That we will endeavor, during the coming year, to educate the people in our respective charges on this question, so that they will have stronger convictions of the sacredness of God's holy day.

Resolved, 4th, That we request the ministers from other conferences to respect our wishes, and not come within the bounds of our Conference to attend such meetings as this report condemns.

W. WIRT KING, Chairman.

E. R. SKIDMORE, Secretary.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That we express our gratitude, and tender our thanks to the people of Fairmont and Palatine for their hospitality in entertaining the Conference;

- To the Secretaries for their efficient services;
- To the Pastors of the city and community for courtesies;
- To Rev. Bollinger for getting the best home, and supplying each home with the best man, and,
- To all the Rail Roads that have extended courtesies.

L. L. STEWART.

GEO. E. HITE.

J. LEE.

WHEREAS, The second visit of our beloved Bishop Foster has been one of pleasure and profit to us; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we stand ready to welcome him at all times to our midst, and we pray that the Great Head of the church may bless him and spare his life yet for years; and as in the past, so may his ministrations in the future, be honored and multiplied an hundredfold.

L. L. STEWART.

G. E. HITE.

J. LEE.

W. G. RIHELDAFFER

WHEREAS, Our brethren and fellow workmen, C. J. Price, George M. Kelley and S. P. Archer, have been transferred from this Conference to other Conferences; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we regard them worthy of the fullest confidence of the people of our communion in their new fields of labor, and pray that in the future as in the past, their labors in the Lord may be crowned with success.

CHAS. F. BOLLINGER.

J. A. FULLUTON.

WM. G. RIHELDAFFER.

Resolved, That W. L. McCoy be granted a loan of one hundred dollars from the Educational Fund, for the purpose of aiding him in attending school.

J. M. WARDEN.

J. W. GRIFFITTS.

Directory

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
S. R. Dawson	Ellenboro	Ritchie	W. Va.	Ellenboro
S. Hitchens	Morgantown	Monongalia	"	Morgantown
R. L. Woodyard	Parkersburg	Wood	"	Valley Mills
J. W. W. Bolton	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine
J. W. Webb.	Mannington	"	"	Mannington

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
D. S. Benedum	Cherry Camp	Harrison	W. Va.	Cherry Camp
John Birkett	Holton		Kan	Holton
Robert Brooks	St. Albans	Kanawha	W. Va.	St. Albans
R. L. Brooks	Selbyville	Upshur	"	Canaan
George Crosfield	Berkley Sp'gs.	Morgan	"	Berkley Sp'gs.
J. T. Carroll	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Coal River
J. J. Dolliver	Ft. Dodge	Webster	Iowa	Fort Dodge
Benj. Hagar	Charleston	Kanawha	W. Va.	Charleston
L. E. Leslie	Oak Hill	Fayette	"	Fayette
D. A. McGinnis	Mole Hill	Ritchie	"	Centreville
M. McNeel	Smithville	"	"	Smithville
R. Northcraft	Smithville	"	"	Smithville
J. B. Pinchen	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford
John W. Reger	Buckhannon	Upshur	"	Buckhannon
V. Sanford	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Charleston
H. Scott	Malden	"	"	Malden
A. Stevens	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine
T. H. Trainer	Duke	Monongalia	"	Monongalia
J. B. West	Newport	Washington	Ohio	Newport
Wm. Wriston	Mossey	Fayette	W. Va.	Fayette
J. A. Williams	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford
R. M. Wallace	Clarksburg	"	"	Clarksburg
J. L. Clark	Parkersburg	Wood	"	Parkersburg

Sessions of the W. Va. Annual Conference.

No.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4	Wheeling	Hamline	Charles Cook.
2	1849	October 5	Clarksburg	Waugh	Alex. Martin.
3	1850	June 5	Parkersburg	Janes	Alex. Martin.
4	1851	June 4	Charleston	Morris	Alex. Martin.
5	1852	June 10	Morgantown	Simpson	Alex. Martin.
6	1853	June 8	Weston	Baker	Alex. Martin.
7	1854	May 30	Fairmont	Scott	Alex. Martin.
8	1855	May 31	Wheeling	Morris	Alex. Martin.
9	1856	June 12	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16	Moundsville	Simpson	S. R. Dawson.
11	1858	April 15	Charleston	Ames	S. R. Dawson.
12	1859	April 20	Parkersburg	Morris	S. R. Dawson.
13	1860	March 14	Morgantown	Scott	S. R. Dawson.
14	1861	March 13	Wheeling	Baker	Samuel Steele.
15	1862	March 12	Parkersburg	Scott	Samuel Steele.
16	1863	March 18	Fairmont	Morris	Alex. Martin.
17	1864	March 16	Parkersburg	Morris	Alex. Martin.
18	1865	March 8	Wheeling	Janes	Alex. Martin.
19	1866	March 21	Morgantown	Clark	Alex. Martin.
20	1867	March 14	Catlettsburg, Ky	Thompson	Alex. Martin.
21	1868	March 11	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele.
22	1869	March 11	Clarksburg	Ames	Alex. Martin.
23	1870	March 10	Charleston	Thompson	J. L. Clark
24	1871	March 9	Parkersburg	Clark	J. L. Clark.
25	1872	March 6	Wheeling	Simpson	J. L. Clark.
26	1873	March 5	Guyandotte	Andrews	J. L. Clark.
27	1874	March 11	Fairmont	Scott	J. L. Clark.
28	1875	March 3	Point Pleasant	Bowman	J. L. Clark.
29	1876	March 15	Wheeling	Harris	J. L. Clark.
30	1877	March 11	Grafton	Ames	J. L. Clark.
31	1877	October 4	Charleston	Scott	J. L. Clark.
32	1878	October 10	Parkersburg	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1	Morgantown	Simpson	Geo. C. Wilding.
34	1880	October 14	Huntington	Peck	Geo. C. Wilding.
35	1881	October 5	Moundsville	Foster	Geo. C. Wilding.
36	1882	October 4	Clarksburg	Andrews	Geo. C. Wilding.
37	1883	October 10	Wheeling	Harris	Geo. C. Wilding.
38	1884	October 1	Buckhannon	Walden	Geo. C. Wilding.
39	1885	September 24	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riheldaffer.
40	1886	September 23	Morgantown	Mallalieu	W. G. Riheldaffer.
41	1887	October 5	Parkersburg	Bowman	W. G. Riheldaffer.
42	1888	September 26	Fairmont	Foster	W. G. Riheldaffer.

Widows who are Conference Claimants.

No.	NAMES.	POST-OFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns	Troy	Miami	Ohio
2	Maria L. Battelle	Covington	Kenton	Kentucky
3	Ellen Irwin	Fairmont	Marion	West Virginia
4	Sarah F. Blundon	Charleston	Kanawha	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond	Dallas	Marshall	"
6	Selina Monroe	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
7	Laura Heatherly	Round Bottom	Wayne	"
8	Sidney Weaver	Bridgeton	Cum'land	New Jersey
9	Jane Parriott	Cameron	Marshall	West Virginia.
10	Elonah Young	French Creek	Upshur	"
11	Mary C. Heaston	Connotton	Harrison	Ohio
12	Sadie E. Beckley	Falls	Wayne	West Virginia.
13	Mrs. J. S. Laughlin	Deer Park	Garrett	Maryland
14	Victoria Steele	Buckhannon	Upshur	West Virginia.
15	Margaret Conner	Moundsville	Marshall	"
16	Annie McKurtz	Cleveland	Cuyahoga	Ohio
17	Adeline Ryan	Walton	Roane	West Virginia.

Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Members of the Conference and on trial.	No. of Church Members and Probationers.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.	For Conference Claimants.	For Church Extension.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support.	Average Salary Paid Preachers.
2d Session, October, 1849.	53	14278					143	1151	5064	\$ 663	\$ 92			\$ 5030	\$110
3d " June, 1850.	57	14201								811	96			5145	138
4th " June, 1851.	64	15191								1011	134			9690	167
5th " June, 1852.	72	16780								1962	129			13787	181
6th " June, 1853.	81	18325								1694	190			15864	217
7th " May, 1854.	89	18600					222	2190	9070	2455	192			18542	223
8th " May, 1855.	84	19249								1858	144			19795	230
9th " June, 1856.	86	19074					202	1949	9190	2458	143			20843	270
10th " April, 1857.	89	19426					214	2031	9368		140				
11th " April, 1858.	100	21500	244	\$153650	27	\$14390	201	1785	8950	2280	162			20883	257
12th " April, 1859.	101	22288	282	171751	28	15103	256	2162	11833	2039	187			21544	256
13th " March, 1860.	100	22551	286	183270	29	14308	275	2520	11533	1735	167			22799	227
14th " March, 1861.	94	21985	290	177495	28	13875	259	2598	11241	1348	99			24048	258
15th " March, 1862.	85	16750	229	162475	22	13000	137	1308	6276	1220	69			14371	205
16th " March, 1863.	84	14122	219	157060	26	14225	154	1517	7080	2394	133			17284	270
17th " March, 1864.	84	15207	220	175510	26	13975	175	1824	8747	3571	34			19063	340
18th " March, 1865.	92	14955	214	195000	27	20800	189	1808	9223	3595	968			24395	406
19th " March, 1866.	86	20513	252	206000	28	26855	225	2211	11600	4100	891			29294	406
20th " March, 1867.	89	27004	253	234925	33	18180	306	2876	16321	2507	584			39972	407
21st " March, 1868.	99	28201	280	362225	32	36050	389	3450	18162	2828	918			48897	474
22d " March, 1869.	101	25288	280	350035	33	41190	379	3679	18532	3027	805	\$ 27		47343	557
23d " March, 1870.	104	28111	293	386630	35	47850	357	3256	17801	3204	905	50		47807	556
24th " March, 1871.	122	28332	316	398350	35	48850	369	3393	18871	3207	841	69	\$ 51	57184	530
25th " March, 1872.	135	29115	336	451988	34	49795	383	3515	18523	3344	921	427		61122	541
26th " March, 1873.	145	27167	336	474950	36	46525	384	3357	18183	3135	726	193		66164	537
27th " March, 1874.	160	28855	365	530825	43	48600	355	3451	18959	3395	816	186		60312	561
28th " March, 1875.	159	31413	365	543155	49	62300	428	3874	21112	3659	1021	218		70723	511
29th " March, 1876.	149	34178	377	579575	52	64550	469	3977	22985	3322	969	197		69698	560
30th " March, 1877.	150	33338	369	492750	50	65300	473	3743	22350	3527	765	169		61598	513
31st " *October, 1877.	155	30819	373	555500	54	97040	458	3873	23446	1992	642	176		28897	229
32d " October, 1878.	155	32717	374	561750	56	60270	446	3904	22251	2367	827	234		55890	437
33d " October, 1879.	157	32157	384	515450	57	60850	461	3920	24778	2519	994	221		53390	430
34th " October, 1880.	153	33330	394	551310	59	59350	486	4661	26125	2779	1090	281		57500	504
35th " October, 1881.	156	33067	414	575250	61	70276	486	4229	26143	3026	1532	301		60540	438
36th " October, 1882.	163	34051	417	573630	63	74070	450	4066	22221	3314	1878	319		63323	453
37th " October, 1883.	169	34325	437	578000	66	88775	498	4452	26768	3585	1930	319		63534	430
38th " October, 1884.	166	34640	445	615418	70	81075	515	4643	27767	3368	1825	300		66291	459
39th " Sept., 1885.	162	35530	452	631335	74	85175	507	4546	27882	3199	1559	309		62924	425
40th " Sept., 1886.	164	38091	454	645840	73	84730	523	4571	28619	3831	1833	323		68048	423
41st " October, 1887.	166	39073	475	687550	79	92820	564	4917	31655	4322	1943	356		71593	457
42d " Sept., 1888.	174	40175	492	688190	86	86190	682	4889	32862	4663	1991	416		69181	416

* N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.

Conference Biography

NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy.		First Conference Joined.	When Ordained.			Mode of Entering West Virginia Conference.	No. of Years					Present Conference relation.
					On Trial.	Full Connection.		Deacon.	Elder.			Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.	Delegate to General Conference.	
Allemon, C. S.	1844	Virginia		Physician	1871	1873	West Va.	1871	1873	1875	On Trial				18		Effective
Ash, D. L.	1855	Virginia	19	Farmer	1878	1888	"	1878	1888		"				8		"
Baumgardner, N. L.	1842	Maryland	19	"	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"				19		"
Bolton, J. W. W.	1834	Virginia	19	Teacher	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	5	3		25	1	Superannuated
Brooks, R.					1846	1848	Ohio	1848		1848	By Division				16		Superannuated
Brooks, R. L.	1810		22	Carpenter	1845	1847	Pittsburg	1848	1847	1849	When organized by division				6		Superannuated
Birkett, John	1818	England	19	Farmer	1866	1873	West Va.	1766	1863	1873	On Trial				22		Effective
Carrico, W. D.	1822	Virginia	14	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1873	"				15		Superannuated
Carroll, J. T.	1827	"	16	"	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	"				16		Effective
Chenoweth, J. F.	1849	"	18	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"				12		"
Cheuvront, W. A.	1850	"	15	"	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	5			10		Superannuated
Chidester, T. W.	1848		20		1841	1842	Pittsburg	1848	1843	1845	Assisted in its organization				12	45	Effective
Clark, J. L.	1814	Maryland	6	Merchant	1858	1860	West Va.	1858	1860	1862	On Trial				28		Effective
Cool, D.	1837	Virginia	15	Farmer	1872	1874	Mississippi	1876	1872	1874	On Credentials				15		"
Cotton, T.	1829	England	21	Merchant	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883		On Trial				7		"
Cottrill, F.	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883		On Trial				7		"
Crossfield, G.	1821	England	18	Merchant	1879	1882	Niagara	1872	1849	1852	Transfer	2	6		30	1	Superannuated
Curtis, A. L.	1854	Virginia	12	Farmer	1879		West Va.	1879			On Trial		2		7		Effective
Carder, D. F.	1851	"	16	"	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"				5		"
Cox, C. W.	1854	"	16	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		"				5		"
Cross, Levi	1836	"	16	Farmer			U. B.	1884		1878	On Credentials				12		"
Darlington, B.	1819	"	16	Mechanic	1859	1861	West Va.	1959	1858	1861	On Trial				29		"
Davis, J. T.	1837	Penn.	10	Teacher	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1875	"	5			17		"
Dolliver, J. J.	1810	New York	26	Merchant	1843	1845	Ohio	1848	1845	1847	Assisted in its organization		1	6	238		Superannuated
Dryden, M. F.	1856	Maryland	21	Teacher	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883		On Trial				7		Effective
Engle, J.	1837	Penn.	10	Book-keeper	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"				12		"
Eichelberger, J. T.	1838	Virginia		Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1878	"	2			12		"
Feather, J. B.	1833	"	17	Farmer	1854	1856	"	1854	1856	1858	"		2		33		"

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NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy.		First Conference Joined.	When Ordained.		Mode of Entering West Virginia Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference Relation.
					On Trial.	Full connection.		Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Delegate to Gen. Conference.	
Ford, F. G. W.	1833	Virginia	20	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1871	1877	On Trial			15	Effective
Fullerton, J. A.	1850	Ireland	17	"	1872	1874	Central Pa.	1872	1872	1875	Transfer			217	"
Faulkner, T. R.	1844	Kentucky	17	Farmer	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875	On Trial			15	"
Friend, D. A.	1847	Maryland	18	Teacher	1882	1884	West Va.	1882	1883	1886	On Trial			6	"
Graham, C. B.	1850	Virginia	19	Merchant	1879	"	"	1879	"	"	On Trial			9	"
Grimes, G. W.	1854	Ohio	22	Teacher	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	"	On Trial			7	"
Galway, T. E.	1851	Pennsylvania	31	R. R. Conductor	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	"	On Trial			5	"
Hammond, D. S.	1850	Virginia	23	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	On Trial			12	"
Hess, J. H.	1851	Maryland	16	Blacksmith	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	On Trial			14	"
Hess, I. W.	1853	Virginia	21	Farmer	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	On Trial	3		17	"
Hitchens, S.	1840	England	12	"	1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	On Trial	11		16	Supernumerary
Hite, G. E.	1851	Virginia	19	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	On Trial			417	Effective
Hughes, R. H.	1846	"	18	Farmer	1870	1873	"	1878	1873	1882	On Trial			317	"
Hunter, W.	1858	"	16	"	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	"	On Trial			7	"
Hennon, W. R.	1857	Pennsylvania	13	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	On Trial			6	"
Jones, S. E.	1846	England	26	Teacher	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	On Trial			16	"
Jordan, L. H.	1836	New York	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	On Trial			17	"
Kelley, W. W.	1838	Virginia	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	On Trial			22	"
King, F. H. J.	1834	"	17	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	On Trial			428	"
Lakin, C. H.	1838	Ohio	20	"	1865	1867	"	1865	1867	1869	On Trial			428	"
Lee, Joseph	1847	Ireland	15	Merchant	1873	1875	"	1873	1873	1876	On Trial			216	"
Lovett, W. E.	1835	Maryland	19	Lieut. Vol. Cav.	1872	1874	"	1872	1873	1876	On Trial			17	"
Mahone, B. D.	1849	Virginia	17	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	On Trial			12	"
Martin, G.	1815	"	16	"	1837	1839	Pittsburg	1848	1839	1841	When organized by division			1551	"
Matheny, G. W.	1838	"	15	"	1865	1867	West Va.	1865	1867	1869	On Trial			9	"
Meredit, C. B.	1850	"	23	Mechanic	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	"	On Trial			7	"
McGinnis, D. A.	1822	"	17	Teacher	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848	1850	When organized by division	34		8	Supernumerary
Mick, A.	1849	"	14	Farmer	1872	1875	West Va.	1872	1875	1877	On Trial			16	Effective
Miles, H. H.	1844	Ohio	18	Marble Cutter	1874	1877	Sciota	1881	1877	"	On Orders	1		13	Effective
Moore, A.	1861	Virginia	18	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va.	1881	1883	"	On Trial			7	Effective

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NAMES.	Year Born.	Where Born	Age Converted.	Former Occupation.	Year Entered Itinerancy.		First Conference Joined.	Year entered West Va. Conference.	When Ordained.		Mode of Entering West Virginia Conference.	No. of Years.				Present Conference relation	
					On Trial.	Full Connection.			Deacon.	Elder.		Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.	Effective.		Delegate to General Conference.
Mays, P. C	1850	West Va.	17	Farmer.	1882	1884	West Va	1882	1884	1886	On Trial				6		Effective
Nichols, A. A	1849	"	20	Farmer.	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887	On Trial						"
Northcraft, R	1818	Maryland	14		1853	1855	"	1853	1853	1857	On Trial				25		Superannuated
Orwen, E. H	1839	New York.	18	Teacher,	1858	1860	Oneida	1878	1860	1862	On Credentials		10		20		Effective
Perry, A. D	1848	Virginia	18	Carpenter	1874	1876	West Va	1874	1876	1879	On Trial				15		"
Prickitt, S. B. D	1840	Georgia	17	Clerk	1867	1869	"	1867	1869	1871	On Trial				21		"
Pribble, U	1833	Virginia	20	Teacher	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1862	On Trial	14		4	16		"
Price, C. J	1856	Virginia	12	Teacher	1877	1878	"	1877	1878	1880	On Trial				11		"
Poling, Cyrus	1850	West Va	22	Teacher	1877	1879	"	1877	1879	1881	On Trial	1	1		9		"
Rexroad, J. C	1843	Virginia	23	Farmer	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	On Trial				16		"
Rider, M. W	1842	Virginia	9	Farmer.	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	On Trial			1	21		"
Riheldaffer, W. G.	1846	Virginia	17	Mechanic	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	On Trial				15		"
Rogers, G	1842	Virginia	10	Farmer	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1871	On Trial				4	21	"
Roberts, L. W	1852	Virginia	15	Teacher	1879	1881	"	1879	1881	1876	On Credentials				9		"
Rogers, B. F	1829	Virginia	19	Farmer.	1859	1861	"	1859	1861	1863	On Trial				17		"
Rohrbough, A. B	1836	West Va	17	Farmer	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1872	Transfer				14		"
Richmond, Taylor	1846	Pennsylvania	20	Carpenter	1884	1886	"	1884	1881	1888	On Trial				4		Effective
Scott, H	1842	Virginia	23	Farmer.	1876	1877	"	1876	1876	1879	On Trial			4	8		Superannuated
Shaw, W. H	1836	Virginia	14	Farmer	1856	1858	"	1856	1858	1860	On Trial	3	5	6	19		Effective
Shackelford, C. R	1847	Mississippi.	19	Farmer	1876	1877	"	1876	1877	1879	On Trial				13		Effective
Sharps, W. J	1836	Virginia	17	Teacher	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	On Trial				17		Effective
Sharp, J. N	1856	Pennsylvania	13	Farmer.	1879	1881	Virginia	1887	1881	1884	On Transfer				9		Effective
Stevens, A	1819	Virginia	16	Teacher	1848	1850	West Va	1848	1850	1852	On Trial			23	17		Superannuated
Stewart, L. L	1845	Pennsylvania	16	Farmer.	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	On Trial				4	17	Effective
Skidmore, E. R	1859	West Va	17	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885		On Trial				5		"
Trainer, T. H	1820	Virginia	20	Mechanic	1853	1857	"	1853	1855	1857	On Trial				4	35	Superannuated
Trippett, C. J		Virginia	24	Farmer	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	On Trial				18		Effective
Taylor, Marion	1845	Ohio	25	Teacher			M. E. Ch. S	1884	1872	1874	On Credentials				12		Effective
Upton, C. W.	1843	Virginia	18	Merchant	1871	1879	West Va	1877	1870	1879	On Trial				12		Effective

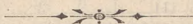
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					Full connection.	On Trial.		Year entered West Va Conference.	Elder.		Deacon.	Located.	Superannuated.	Presiding Elder.		Effective.	Delegates to Gen. Conf.
Wallace, R. M	1817	Penn	16	Carpenter	1854		West Va.	1854		On Trial							Superannuated
Warman, C	1844	Virginia	7	Teacher	1875	1877	"	1875	1874	1878	"	3	2		34		Effective
Warden, J. M.	1833	"	28	Farmer	1860	1063	"	1860	1863	1865	"				38		"
Welch, R. S	1821	"	19	Teacher		1855	M. P. C. W. Va	1856	1857	1859	Received from M. P. Church				34		"
Webb, J. W	1826	"	15	"	1854	1856	West Va	1854	1856	1858	On Trial				8	34	1
West, J. R	1799	"	21	"	1822	1824	Baltimore.	1822	1824	1826	Tr. when W. Va. was org'd.				4		Superannuated
White, W. R.	1820	Dist. Colu'a	18	Teacher	1844	1846	"	1844	1846	1848	Transfer						Effective
Williams, G. H	1844	Virginia	25	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1876	1877	On trial	1			14		"
Williams, J. A	1816	"	21	"	1848	1852	"	1848	1844	1848	"						Superannuated
Woodruff, E. C	1844	Penn	9	Teacher	1869	1871	"	1859	1871	1876	"	1			18		Effective
Ward, R. B.	1860	West Va	16	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"				6		"

NOTE.—Members whose names do not appear, please send Biography to Secretary some time during the year.



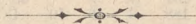
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Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts, [Table No. 1.]

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.	CHURCH PROPERTY.								
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Buckhannon Dist														
Belington	35	602	1	1		30	7	4000						100
Beverly	16	319	4	5		18	3	1500	1	1000	250	10		20
Buckhannon	11	206	1	1		3	1	6000			100	525		145
Buckhannon Circuit.	18	406	1	4	1	17	8	8000	1	900				55
Canaan	30	500	1	3		5	10	2430			1355			
Freemansburg	5	379	4	1	2	11	8	5500	1	1000	300			10
Frenehon	21	355	2	3	8	12	6	4300	1	1000				
Gladys	9	246		1			5	2000						
Glenville	27	327	1	2	2	22	6	2185	1	1000	1500		150	
Phillippi	2	576	3	2		5	9	11600	1	1000	950			120
One to be supplied														
South Buckhannon	37	525	2	4		22	8	4500						
Sutton	74	472	1	5	15	45	6	6150	1	500		150	135	20
Troy	14	393	4	3	1	112	6	5100	1	1000	910	43	800	
Webster	40	200		2		7	5	675	1	600	265		235	
Weston	5	114			3		1	3500	1	2700				70
	344	5620	25	37	40	307	85	67440	10	10700	5630	728	1320	540
Charleston Dist.														
Calhoun		210	2	2		15	1	250			250		350	
Charleston	11	249	2	1	6	27	1	12000			450		2200	240
Charleston Circuit	55	271	1	2		12	2	2000	1	400	100			50
Clifton and Mason		279			37	13	3	7500	1	550	100	20		125
East Charleston	26	353	4	9	9	16	1	1000	1	200				
Hartford City	30	214	1	2		2	2	2800	1	700				53
Jackson	40	325		4	1	27	4	2100						
Letart and Leon	58	264	4	3		38	5	3000			51			40
Malden	4	188	3	2	10	4	2	3400	1	775				24
Mill Creek	19	122	2	2		4	5							
Point Pleasant	6	120	1	1			2	8000	2	3400	5500		2600	15
Ravenswood	8	345	1	4		4	7	4000	1	1200	25			100
Raymond City	16	70	1	3		3	3							
Reedy														
Ripley	61	175	1	1		13	5	2110			800			
Spencer	25	263	3	3		17	5	4600						
Walton	36	274		1	7	13			1		100			
	395	3722	25	42	81	210	37	52760	9	7225	7376	20	5150	647
Clarksburg Dist.														
Bridgeport	2	275	1	6		12	6	5000			460			15
Cherry Camp	11	265		3		28	5	3000	1	500				
Clarksburg	10	193	2	1		13	1	13000	1	2000				130
Fairmont		157	1	1		4	1	6500	1	1000	528	20	40	100
Farmington	3	187		1		10	4	5000						35
Logansport	9	223	2	5		2	5	3000	1	400	67		130	
Lumberport	3	350	1	4		6	6	2000	1	500				25
Mannington		131	4	4	2	2	1	6000	1	1000		500	500	80
Marion	13	233	1	4	2	23	6	5000	1	1000	99			59
Pine Grove	27	110	2			1		500			17			150
Pruntytown	5	318	2	4	8	23	4	8200	1	1800	250			150
Quiet Dell	25	395	1	1		7	5	4660			17			50
Salem	2	90	2	2		3	1	1225			375		50	25
Smithton	28	350	1	4	2	15	6	2300	1	500	5			
Wallace	36	132	4	2		8	2	1200						
West Milford	11	252	1	1		4		2300	1	500	500			25
Wilsonburg	48	431	2	4		65	9	6600	1	500	60		120	25
Worthington	50	180	1	2		24	6	2000						20
	283	4272	28	48	14	245	73	77485	11	9700	2378	520	899	919

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West Virginia Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.			
No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No of Scholars of all ages.	Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Collections.	For Conference Seminary.
			From churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
9	72	650	19		19	4								405	5		
9	45	350	25	5	30	2								378	10		
1	18	150	50	15	65	6	2	2	7	7	11			691	25	36	
7	77	372	19	7	26	6	1	1	6	1	2			523	10		
13	84	700	30	37	67	1		2				2		285	4		
7					12					3				394	5		
6	68	329	26	10	36	4	1	1	3	5	1			546	10		
4	30	201	20		20	1	1		1					169	3		
8	42	247	10		15	6								263	3		
10	96	510	16		20	2	1	1	2	5	1	1		637	6		
7	65	310	30		30				3					564	15		
6	50	180	20	5	25	2			3	1	1	1		624	12		
8	62	560	45	14	59					4				539			
5	22	131	8		8	1			1					371	2		
1	13	145	8	52	60	6	2	2	6	10	11			713	23		
101	744	4835	326	145	492	41	8	9	37	34	32	4		7102	133	36	
4	30	250												185			
1	30	390	35	45	80	8	2	2	5	4	30			1179	18	13	13
4	40	275	5	5	10	1			2		7			433	5		
3	30	263	4	6	10	1								577	2		
8	75	335	8	2	10	2								414	4		
2	28	235	5	3	8									651	4		
5	44	230	5		5									275			
5	50	240	15		15				1	1				435	4		
4	29	179	10	3	13				2	5	5			241	4		
3	27	140	3		3									303	2		
2	18	139	1	7	8									587	2		
6	55	350	13	2	15									679	5		
3	18	75	6		6	1			1		2						
4	40	120	10		10	3		1	4	4				352	1		
6	38	262	4	4	8	2		1	2	5				566	8		
6	60	340	8	2	10	4								354	4		
66	612	3823	132	79	211	22	2	4	17	19	44			7231	63	13	13
8	45	306	6	24	30	2			1	1		1		469	8		
6	48	239	5	6	11			1		1				287	5		
1	15	204	11	12	23	1		1	1					863	5		20
1	20	104	32	32	64	3	1	1	3	5	5			664	13	10	10
4	35	180	10	6	16	1	1		1	1	1			351	5		
4	28	175	12	1	13	2			3	1				316	5		
7	64	388	5	5	10	1	1							394	3		
1	17	130	8	2	10									340	2		5
5	35	225	10	14	30	2	1	1	2	5	1	1		409	5		
4	30	90	10	10	20									104	10		
4	50	300	10	10											5		
4	20	280	18	4	22									473	6		
1	10	95	5	8	13	1	1	1	1	1				279	2		
4	30	172	19	20	1	1			2	3	1			367	7		
5	21	130	7	6	13									98	2		
3	27	184	10	23	32	3								573	10	8	
8	78	405	26	6	32	2	1	1	1	2	1			560	10		
		15			15	1	1	1	1	1				440	5		
70	573	3607	219	159	384	20	8	6	16	21	9	2		6987	108	18	35

Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts. [Table No. 1

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM.		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, etc.)
Guyandotte Dist														
Cassville	55	217	2	4	5	10	2	300	1	250	140		77	
Ceredo	12	125	2				2	1500	1	500	200	200	250	12
Coal River	63	193	4	5	12	42	2	350	1	200	100		150	
Fairfields	13	91	1	4		7	1	2000	1	500	100	100	224	25
Guyandotte	10	92		6	1	5	1	2500	1	1200		75	300	65
Hamlin	88	252	6	4	3	4	4	1690	1	350	90		30	75
Huntington	6	215	1	2	4	3	1	3000	1	2000	169	104		200
Laurel	35						2	400						
Milton	12	197	2	1		7	3	2500			15			1
Monticello	104	203	1	4		12	3	1000						
St. Albans	4	61			1		2	700			700			5
Wayne	25	278	4	4	8	14	4	3500	1	450		70		
Winfield	16	135	2	1		7	4	3000	1	350			15	3
	443	2059	25	35	34	111	31	22440	9	5800	1514	549	1046	386
Morgantown Dist.														
Arnetsville	10	310	2	3		11	3	2000	1	800	64	28		33
Blacksville		382	1	4		11	4	3100	1	1000	500			50
Grafton	9	305			4	3	1	155	1	1500	100			200
Halleck	8	394	1	3		2	7	5000	1	650	11	85	135	5
Jollytown	92	556	3	7	1	97	9	10000	1	300	8			150
Kingwood	6	148		2		4	1	12000	1	3000				125
Knottsville	4	290		2	4	8	5	6000	1	400	10			25
Littleton	15	226	5	3		12	4	3700			1000			20
Masontown	8	230		2		1	4	3500	1	600	550		200	15
Morgantown		300	1	3	4	1	1	10000	1	1600				200
Morgantown Circuit.	8	380	2	11		17	7	5000			120			60
Monongalia	4	319	2	3	2	35	6	3000						35
Palatine	1	550	3	2	2	18	8	8700	1	800	50			75
Tunnelton	3	160	2	4	2	10	4	4000	1	750	500		200	80
	168	4550	22	49	19	230	64	76155	11	11400	1913	1113	535	1073
New River Dist.														
Blue Stone														
Boone	15	150	2				2	3000						
Clay	30	134	2			5	2	11900						
Concord	18	164		4	3		9	400						
Elk River	75	388	6	3	5	17	1	450	1	300	216			
Fayette	15	184	3	3	1	9	3	14400	1	400	85	38	218	5
Flat Top	4	156	3		1									
Hinchmans	15	162	2	3	4									
Hinton & Coal Valley	4	32	3		8									18
Logan		62												
Mountain Cove	12	243	5		3	1	2	2100	1	600				
Nicholas	10	420	4	3	6	8	5	3600	1	280				30
Oceana	112	205	5	1	5	9								
Ophelia	50	200		2	12	15	4	1500						275
Pleasant Retreat	44	454	9	3		31	2	1200	1	275	35	10		
Raleigh	12	319	5	2	2	3	3	2000	1	600				
	416	3273	51	24	50	107	25	40550	6	2455	336	48	218	328

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			From churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
2	10	84	2		2									213	1		
4	44	275													2		
3	30	150	6		6									360	4		
1	5	40	5		5									348	3		
1	14	98		8	8	1	1			2	3				5		500
4	20	180	4		4				1					202	2		
1	22	150	25	25	50	4	2	1	3	2				1060	22		880
														41			
6	36	175	5		5				1	1		5		186	1		
2	16	70	3		3									140			
1	5	31		2	3									109			
6	47	240	6		6									313	3		
3	15	160	3	1	4									275	2		
34	264	1653	60	36	96	6	3	1	5	5	3	5		3247	45		1380
5	63	299	8	2	10	2			2	1	1	10		532	5		
4	223	30	10	40	50	1			1	5		1		626	20		
1	20	150	40	40	80	5	2	2	3	3	7	2		882	32		1200
4	40	263	25	5	30	3	2		1	3	3	2		455	10		
9	72	332	51	2	53	8	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	736	24		
1	16	150	6	57	63	7	1	1	5	8	22	73	1	800	25	1400	
5	46	300	27	7	34	1	1	1	2	2				601	5		
6	57	335	20	10	30	3	1	1	1	1	1	2		453	10		
3	25	130	5	4	9	3	1	1	1	3				460	3		700
1	19	135	43	32	75	1			2	16	11			1007	10		
5	43	347	14	2	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		605	9		
6	49	398	52	8	60	1	1	1	4	5	1	12		747	10		
5	75	497	21	6	27	1	1	1	1	2	1			643	13		
5	43	225	10	8	18	3		1	3	4				549	10		300
56	572	3786	352	193	545	40	12	11	40	59	43	100	2	9096	186	1400	2200
6	24	150												121			
5	15	200	2		2									245			
														221	2		
7	42	300	9	1	10	2			2					369	3		
2	16	60	18	1	19	1			1		1	1		217	3		
1	8	40	12	3	15		1	1						294	2		
			5		5									271	1		
2	6	50	5		5	1		1		3				402	2		
														92			
2	20	70	10		10	1			2					232	5		
5	47	240	20		20	2				1				392	10		
2	11	1	2		2									144	1		
3	10													165	2		
4	40	160												358	1		
			10		10				1					337	5		
39	239	1271	93	4	98	7	1	2	6	4	1	1		3860	37		

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts. Table No. 1.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. of Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church property.	Current expenses, (sexton, light, &c.)
Oakland Dist.														
Albrightsville	38	288		4		10	4	4700	1	400	230	606	75	40
Aurora	6	141		2	4			1000						10
Brandonville	9	546	1	4	1	54	7	62500	1	400	250		200	70
Cranesville	11	275		3	13	18	2	1800						
Davis	8	83		1	5	6		1600	1	500	279		550	60
Deer Park	10	175	3	3	3	5	1	4800			377			
Evansville	20	370		10	6	13	6	5000	1		500	10	90	30
Friendsville	5	334	3	3	5	6		5500	1	400	20	100	70	50
Grantsville	8	186	1	2	17	1	3	2000						
Hambleton	1	100		1	1	1	4	1000			100	30		30
Newburg	3	282	2	4	1	11		3500	1	1000	70	70	300	75
Oakland	25	333	2	2	2	2	2	4500	1	2500		25	165	120
Pleasant Grove	23	335	1	3	2	27	6	3600	1	300	125			25
Randolph Mission														
Rowlesburg	2	163	3	5	2	8	5	2900	1	600	200			25
St. George.	22	99		1	14	3	5	2200						30
	190	3710	16	46	77	149	56	106600	9	6100	2151	841	1450	565
Parkersburg Dist.														
Belleville	12	328	1	2	1	20	3	2000			4			60
Centreville	16	495	3	6		16	6	3150	1	600	75			
Elizabeth	8	97	1			10	2	3500	1	700	75			75
Elizabeth Circuit	26	242	1			6	3	1800						
Ellenboro	16	604	4	6		7	7	5175	1	1600	105			38
Harrisville	40	440	2	6		12	5	3300	1	800	1000			160
Middlebourne	60	220	2	4		36	2	2000	1	600	76	70		68
Parkersburg	35	398	1	5	10	16	1	35000	1	6000	640			313
Parkersburg Circuit	7	535	1	4		24	9	1000	1	1100	270	50	100	125
Parkersburg Mission														
Pleasants	42	161		3		6	4	1050			550			
Sistersville		241	1	4		6	5	4600			50		200	
Shiloh	63	355		2		22	8	4000	1	400	1100		210	
Smithville	31	290	4	6	19	7	7	3800						
Valley Mills	16	344	5	2		22	1	3950	1	500			100	50
Van Camp	7	122	1			2		1600						
Volcano	2	144	2		1	5	2	1100	1	300				
West Union	7	156	4	3		6	4	5500			150	35	75	45
Williamstown	6	100		4		17	1	1800			400			45
	382	5272	34	58	31	240	70	84325	10	12600	4495	155	685	979
Wheeling Dist.														
Benwood	13	196	2	4	9	2	2	4500			269	105		100
Cameron	25	332		3	1	80	2	3000	1	2000	306			75
Dallas	5	359		4	30	26	2	7000	1	800	106		21	75
Fulton	4	50	1		7	2	2	2400			200			35
Greene	11	257	3	2		13	7	3000						84
Marshall	4	264	3	6	14	7	4	4500	1	1200	60			76
Moundsville	20	420	1	8	14	23	1	10000	1	800				300
Moundsville Circuit	31	451	2	7	9	45	7	10000			241			105
New Martinsville	22	138		2		1		3000						80
New Martinsville C't	4	204	2	1	2	20	4	2000						35
Pleasant Valley	11	329	1	4	1	38	5	5000						60
Short Creek & Liberty	10	196	1	8	5	20	2	12000	1	1350				75
Triadelphia	1	158		1	14	2	1	7000	1	2500	43			70
Chaplin Street	6	224			26	5	1	7000	1	2000	375	40	225	187
Fourth Street	35	464		3	10	16	1	75000	1	10000		600	5000	1100
North Street	13	284		7	12	2	1	10000	1	3000	75	800	900	212
Thompson Church	8	290			10		1	12000	1	3500	2200			408
Wesley Chapel	6	165	2	2	22	5	1	5000			75	9	84	169
Zane Street	21	265	1	4	61	18	1	15000	1	3000		200	1100	252
	250	5046	19	66	247	324	46	197400	11	30150	3950	1754	7330	3498

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			From churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
6	56	250	24	11	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	61		385	8		8
2	12	62	16		16	1	1	1	1	1	1			338	8		
8	52	376	36		36	2								564	10		
7			16		16	2	1	1	1	5	1	1		269	7		
1	22	110	5	16	21	2			3	3	1	1		529	6		
7	50	300	22	1	23	2			2	2	1	1		323	4		
6	66	384	38	2	40	2		1	1	1	1	1		523	10	15	
10	120	600	15	10	25	2			1	1	1	5		519	6		
3			12	3	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		388	9		
5	30	220	10		10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		377	2		
2	30	185	31		31				3					781	8		
3	40	262	43	11	54	7	2	1	8	4	5			948	26		
6	50	277	28	2	30	3	1	1	4	1	1			351	12		
3	41	200	9	1	10	1	1	1	1	1	1			527	8		
7	59	295	15		15				3					372	8		
76	638	3521	320	57	377	27	10	8	44	11	14	70		7194	132	15	8
8	83	400	6	2	8	5	1	1	1	4	1	1		576	5		
5	56	318	6		6									580	2		
1	20	210	2	3	5	1			1					512	5		
5		100	4		4									513	1		
5	29	240	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	3			503	3		
7	70	425	5	1	6	1		1	1	1	5			565	3		
3	31	166	20		20	1					8			582	3		
1	43	690	243	201	444	25	5	2	25	18	30	66		1400	90		
8	69	465	52	23	75	5			5	1				127	15		
6	48	280	1	1	2				1					305	1		
15	6	250	10	7	17	3			2	14	7			638	10		13
6	48	300	30		30	1			5	4				442	15		
6	54	322	4		4	2								324	2		
6	35	107	5		5									226	4		
3	12	95				1								77			
3	20	200	12		12	1			2					333	5		
4	35	250	24	6	30	4	2	2	5	9	5	2	2	485	15		
1	14	88	7	5	12	3			3	6				453	10		
153	673	4906	434	251	685	54	9	6	52	58	59	69	2	8641	189		13
2	22	270		20	20	6	1	1	5	5	1			700	10		5
2	30	208	40	35	75	6	1	1	7	14	13	13		822	20		10
5	36	250	18	27	45	3			3	8				702	8		
2	15	90	7	3	10	3			2					296	5		
7	43	280	10		10	3			1	2				500	2		
4	51	244	16		16	2	1		2					513	10		15
1	35	300	60	85	145	15	1	2	19		8	148		1218	50	15	
7	114	463	66	25	91	60	2	1	6	5	2	61		911	30	20	20
1	14	101	20	7	27	2	1		1	9		2		570	5		5
8	38	329	4		4									260	3		
5	42	278	39	5	44	5	1	1	6		1	1	1	455	12		
2	25	175	40	35	75	6	2	3	7	6	10			818	16		
1	18	125	13	11	24	2			6	10	8	28		664	10		7
1	28	160	42	88	130	25	2	1	12	3				1212	60		
1	46	314	346	660	30	10	16	42	10	30	265			2800	175		
2	35	455	20	40	60	10	3	3	5	8	4			1091	25		
3	33	310	60	77	137	20	5	5	19	16	12	77	88	1125	66		
1	33	245	6	2	28				1	1	1	13		848	10		1
1	28	275	57	16	73	3	2	3	2	2	5	42	112	876	15	15	3
53	686	4558	832	842	1674	201	32	31	144	99	95	650	201	16381	532	50	66

Recapitulation by Districts.

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Buckhannon	344	5620	25	37	40	307	85	67440	10	10700	5630	728	1320 540
Charleston	395	3722	25	42	81	210	37	52760	9	7225	7376	20	5150 647
Clarksburg	283	4272	28	48	14	245	73	77485	11	9700	2378	520	899 719
Guyandotte	443	2059	25	35	34	111	31	22440	9	5800	1514	549	1046 386
Morgantown	168	4550	22	49	19	230	64	36155	11	11400	1913	1113	535 1073
New River	416	3273	51	24	50	107	25	40550	6	2455	336	48	218 328
Oakland	190	3710	16	46	77	149	56	106600	9	6100	2151	841	1450 365
Parkersburg	382	5272	34	58	31	250	70	84325	10	12600	4495	155	685 979
Wheeling	250	5046	19	66	247	324	46	197400	11	30150	3950	1754	7330 3498
Totals this year	2871	37524	245	405	593	1933	487	685155	86	96130	29743	5728	18633 8735
Totals last year	2553	36283	237	402	822	1938	475	687550	77	91820	39100	8400	15397 9656
Increase	318	1241	8	3	..	..	12	..	9	3310	..	..	3036 ..
Decrease	..	..	..	..	229	5	..	2395	..	..	9357	2672	.. 921



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			From churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
101	744	4835	826	145	492	41	8	9	37	34	32	4	...	7102	133	36	...
66	612	3823	132	79	211	22	2	4	17	19	44	...	...	7231	63	13	13
70	573	3607	219	159	384	20	8	6	16	21	9	2	...	6987	108	18	35
34	264	1653	60	36	96	6	3	1	5	5	3	5	...	3247	45	13	80
56	572	3786	352	193	545	40	12	11	40	59	43	100	2	9096	186	14	22
39	239	1271	93	4	98	7	1	2	6	4	1	1	...	3860	37	...	...
76	628	3521	320	57	377	27	10	8	44	11	14	70	...	7194	132	15	8
153	673	4906	434	251	685	54	9	6	52	58	59	69	2	8641	189	...	13
53	686	4558	832	842	1674	201	32	31	144	99	95	650	201	16381	532	50	66
648	4991	31960	2768	1766	4562	418	85	78	361	310	300	901	205	69739	1425	159	237
564	4117	31655	2581	1741	4322	356	84	86	300	404	296	450	113	71593	1390	223	...
84	874	305	187	25	240	62	1	...	61	...	4	451	92	...	35	...	237
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	94	...	...	...	1854	...	64	...



Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts. Table No. 2.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESIDING ELDERS.	PASTORS.			PRESID'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS		CONF. CLAIM'TS.		
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Buckhannon Dist.											
Belington	F Cottrill	435	342	93	60	60	6	3	20	5	
Beverly	J W Sharp	450	396	54	60	60	7	7	20	10	
Buckhannon	S D Tamblin	600	600		84	84	7	7	25	25	
Buckhannon Circuit.	C Warman	555	483	72	100	86	8	7	20	4	
Canaan	M Talbot	300	234	66	50	50	6	6	20	5	
Freemansburg	L D Haines	500	278	122	67	65	8	1		10	
Frenchton	C B Meredith	550	506	44	90	90	9	2	30	3	
Gladly	E S Withers	160	122	38	46	46	3	3	10	3	
Glenville	H F Hughes	327	203	123	58	58	4	1	11	6	
Phillippi	A L Curtis	610	448	162	75	75	8	2			
One to be supplied	J S Robinson	150	110	40				4		15	
South Buckhannon	N H Prince	550	500	50	62	62	6		25	12	
Sutton	G H Williams	650	542	20	80	80	8	2	25	2	
Troy	C Poling	515	169	46	70	70	5	2	20	2	
Webster	B B Brooks	350	325		46	46	4		10	1	
Weston	B Ison	725	725		55	55	6	6	20	11	
Total		7427	6283	930	1003	987	95	53	256	114	
Charleston Dist.											
Calhoun	M W Atkinson	200	135	65	50	50					
Charleston	A Mick	1100	1100		80	73	6	6	18	18	
Charleston Circuit.	J P McCormick	425	371	54	60	60	6	2	10	5	
Clifton and Mason	G M Kepler	575	562	13	65	65				2	
East Charleston	T P Ryan	362	362		60	60	4	4	8	4	
Hartford City	J W Griffiths	600	600		60	51				4	
Jackson	W L McCoy	300	225	75	50	50					
Letart and Leon	A W Lowther	400	373	27	65	61	6	1	8	4	
Malden	A Moore	225	225		16	16				4	
Mill Creek	J J White	300	252	47	50	50	5	1	6	2	
Point Pleasant	R B Ward	525	525		60	60	5	2	6	2	
Ravenswood	U Pribble	700	600	100	80	75	6	4	18	5	
Raymond City	H L Ward	300	205	95	50	50	4	3	4	3	
Reedy	J Pringle. (Sup.)										
Ripley	E D W King	400	300	100	50	50		2		1	
Spencer	C R Shackelford	535	487	48	80	77		2		8	
Walton	J S Jenkins	375	292	82	60	60		2		4	
Total		7322	6614	706	936	908	42	29	78	66	
Clarksburg Dist.											
Bridgeport	J A Hammond	445	400	45	65	65	6	4	15	8	
Cherry Camp	B F Rogers	400	240	160	54	46	5	3	20	5	
Clarksburg	J Engle	850	787	63	75	75		1		5	
Fairmont	C F Bolinger	600	600		60	60	7	4	20	3	
Farmington	G Martin	250	290		50	40	5	5	15	3	
Logansport	W D Carrio	400	268	132	55	47	5	5	15	3	
Lumberport	E C Woodruff	450	340	110	65	58		1		2	
Mannington	J W Webb	500	281	219	60	60			45	5	
Marion	T Richmond	450	375	75	60	60	10	4	35	5	
Pine Grove	Louis E Ressinger	95	80		25	22	2	2	10	10	
Pruntytown	C J Trippett	600	540	60	65	55		1		5	
Quiet Dell	J Conwell	425	304	121	65	60	4	4		6	
Salem	Frank Fletcher	300	238	62	38	38	3	3	10	2	
Smithton	M Taylor	400	316	84	48	48	6	3	12	7	
Wallace	G W Swiger	125	79	46	22	20				2	
West Milford	G Rogers	500	500		65	65	8	8	35	10	
Wilsonburg	B D Mahone	600	490	110	65	65	6	5	22	10	
Worthington	T H Clark	250	205		44	44	5	1	15	5	
Total		7640	6333	1287	981	923	72	54	276	96	

Table No. 2.] Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS		PR'D'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS		CONF. CLAIMTS			
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Guyandotte Dist.											
Cassville	J F Davis	250	185	65	36	28	2		6	1	
Ceredo	{ A A Nicholas, 6 m. G C Shaw, 6 m. }				36	14				2	
Coal River	C W Myers. (Sup.)	300	300		26	26	2	1	6	3	
Fairfields	C W Ownby	350	297	53	50	50	3	1	8	3	
Guyandotte	S P Archer	400	337	62	50	55		1		5	
Hamlin	J Herbert. (Sup.)	300	166	133	50	36	3		8		
Huntington	H C Sanford	975			80	80	6	6	25	25	
Laurel	E Spurlock	100	35	65	20	6	1				
Milton	G W Matheny	225	154	70	36	31	2	1	4	1	
Monticello	J L Moses. (Sup.)	275	94	180	50	50				3	
St. Albans	B C Cadwell	150	80	70	30	30	2		5		
Wayne	B Darlington	450	322	7	50	40	2	2	10	3	
Winfield	G W Marston	400	255	144	40	26	3		8		
Total		4175	2225	849	554	472	26	12	82	48	
Morgantown Dist.											
Arnettsville	C W Cox	500	458	42	71	71	9	3	26	5	
Blacksville	D Cool	550		67	68	68	9	9	8		
Grafton	S B D Prickitt	1050	939	102	100	100	11	5	40	32	
Halleck	L M Baumgardner	540	422	118	68	68	9	5	25	10	
Jollytown	C W Upton	625	625		100	100	11	10	36	24	
Kingwood	E H Orwen	756	750		80	80	11	10	36	24	
Knottsville	S B Feather	530	530		76	76	8	4	26	5	
Littleton	E R Skidmore	400	400		50	50	5	3	11	10	
Masontown	A D Perry	525	483	42	48	48	6	2	15	3	
Morgantown	W R White	1050	1050		105	105	11	2	40	10	
Morgantown Circuit.	F G W Ford	600	520	80	79	79	7	6	22	9	
Monongalia	T W Chidister	665	665		76	76	9	6	26	10	
Palatine	Hunston and Harris	584	551	33	84	84	9	6	26	13	
Tunnelton	W P Weekly	500	500		45	45	4	4	10	10	
Total		8869	7893	484	1050	1050	119	75	347	173	
New River Dist.											
Bluestone											
Boone	J G Fugate	200	160	40	50	60		1		1	
Clay	A D Adams	320	200	120	40	34		1		1	
Concord	A L Hughes	250	180	70	40	40	2	1	7	2	
Elk River	G L Carder	364	307	57	60	60	3	3	12	3	
Fayette	J T Underwood. (Sup.)	200	155	65	60	61	3	1	10	3	
Flat Top	J Adamson. (Sup.)			40	37						
Hinchmans	W P Guinn	300	211	81	60	60	5		3	1	
Hinton & Coal Valley	J A Dixon	500	350	150	60	50	3	2	3	2	
Logan					30	12					
Mt. Cove	W R Hennon	400	375	25	60	55	2	2		5	
Nicholas	D W Smith	400	310	90	80	80	5	2	15	10	
Oceana	G E Ward	150	86	64	60	57	3	1	10	1	
Ophelia	A A Nichols	450	92	358	60	60	2		10	2	
Pleasant Retreat	P C Mays	400	309	91	60	48		1		1	
Raleigh	Wm. Hunter	500	260	240	80	15	5	2	15	5	
Total		4434	2995	1491	837	692	33	17	85	37	

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts. [Table No. 2.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS			PR'D'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS		CONF. CLAIMTS		
NAMES OF CHARGES.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Oakland Dist.											
Albrightsville	T R Falkner	424	350	74	56	56	5	3	18	8	
Aurora	J C Rexroad	332	305	24	30	30	2	2	9	8	
Brandonville	Lloyd W Roberts	550	484	65	75	75	3	4	20	10	
Cranesville	D B Orr	225	226		40	40	1	3	7	7	
Deer Park	G M Kelley	450			50	40	5	1	8	4	
Evansville	D A Friend	550	500		72	67	6	6	22	10	
Friendsville	A S Arnett	500	500		65	65	6	4	20	6	
Grantsville	Henry E Friend	325	325		60	60	4	3	18	9	
Hambleton	R S Welch	350	325	25	50	50	2	2	2	2	
Hambleton and Davis	C E Shaw	500	500		25	27	2	2	6	6	
Newburg	B B Evans	715	715		60	60	6	6	19	3	
Oakland	J W W Bolton	880	855	25	86	86	5	7	26	26	
Pleasant Grove	M Knotts	365	325	40	46	46	5	5	19	12	
Randolph Mission.											
Rowlesburg	To be supplied	530			60	58	6	6	19	18	
St. George and Aurora	Levi Cross	370	320	56	50	50	5	2	16	8	
Total		7066	5730	309	825	810	68	56	229	137	
Parkersburg Dist											
Belleville	S Eli Jones	500	500	23	75	75	6	1	15	5	
Centreville	D L Carder	500	400	100	80	80	7	2	10	2	
Elizabeth	C E Clark	460	460		50	50	7	2	10	5	
Elizabeth Circuit	L N Coffield	411	310	101	60	40	8	2		1	
Ellenboro	C J Price	650	435	215	85	65	8	2		3	
Harrisville	F H J King	675	556	120	100	80	30	2	30	3	
Middlebourne	W A Cheuvront	550	515	35	65	65	5	2	25	3	
Parkersburg	G E Hite	1500	1500		180	180	20	20	90	90	
Parkersburg Circuit	W W Kelley	725	619	106	100	93	10	8	30	15	
Parkersburg Mission	J L Clark										
Pleasants	G E Fisher	265	265		40	40	2		5	1	
Sistersville	H H Miles	600	555	45	85	78	8	6	25	10	
Shiloh	J H Stratton	500	366	134	70	70	6	6	20	15	
Smithville	J W Hess	425	260	168	65	65		1		2	
Valley Mills	E L Nicholson	385	217	168	60	44	5		15		
Van Camp	J W Holt	200	57	143	35	23	1	1	2		
Volcano	S P Crummett	325	325		55	55	4	3	10	5	
West Union	W G Smith	450	415	35	65	65	5	5	15	15	
Williamstown	W J Harkness	400	400		50	50	3	3	10	10	
Total		9521	8155	1393	1320	1218	120	63	302	185	
Wheeling Dist.											
Benwood	W. Wirt King	650	650		45	45	5	5	10	10	
Cameron	F. N. Lynch	750	750		64	64	8	8	20	20	
Dallas	C. S. Allemon	675	675		96	96	6	2	15	8	
Greene	J. T. Eichelburger	440	380	60	54	54	6		15	2	
Fulton	C. E. Leatherby	350	266	85	28	28	2	2	5	5	
Marshall	Spencer King	620	580	89	89	89	15	3	66	10	
Moundsville	L. L. Stewart	1100	1100		99	100	18	18	50	50	
Moundsville Circuit.	C. H. Lakin	800	800		86	86	28	25	70	30	
New Martinsville	D. S. Hammond	525	525		41	41	4	4	7	5	
New Martinsville C't	J. D. Smith	200	228		32	32			7	3	
Pleasant Valley	D. Huston Denton	400	394	5	54	52	7	7	12	12	
Short Creek & Liberty	J. Henry Hess	725	725		74	74	19	19	70	16	
Triadelphia	T. E. Galway	612	612		50	50	8	2	30	10	
Chapline Street.	W. G. Riheldaffer	1100	1100		90	90	24	22	60	60	
Fourth Street	R. F. Randolph	2500	2500		278	278	32	32	175	175	
North Street	M. F. Dryden	1250	1250		75	75	18	16	50	25	
Thompson Church	Geo. W. Grimes	1350	1350		100	100	25	25	66	66	
Wesley Chapel	D L Ash	800	800		46	46	6	2	12	10	
Zane Street	C B Graham	1000	1000		71	71	16	5	50	15	
Total		15847	15685	189	1472	1471	247	197	795	532	

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Recapitulation by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	NAMES OF PRESIDING ELDERS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS.			PRESID'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS		CONF CLAIM'TS		
		Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Buckhannon	L. H. Jordan	7427	6283	930	1003	987	95	53	256	114	
Charleston	J. M. Warden	7322	6614	706	936	908	42	29	78	66	
Clarksburg	Joseph Lee	7640	6333	1287	981	923	72	54	276	96	
Guyandotte	M. W. Rider	4175	2225	849	554	472	26	12	82	48	
Morgantown	J. F. Chenoweth	8869	7893	484	1050	1050	119	75	347	173	
New River	R. H. Hughes	4434	2995	1491	837	692	33	17	85	37	
Oakland	Wm. J. Sharpes	7066	5730	309	825	810	68	56	229	137	
Parkersburg	J. A. Fullerton	9521	8155	1393	1320	1218	120	63	302	185	
Wheeling.	S. Ernest Jones	15847	15685	189	1472	1471	247	197	795	532	
Total		72301	61913	7638	8978	8531	822	556	2450	1388	



Roll of the Honored Dead of the West Virginia Conference.

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"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	AGE.	Years in the Ministry.
1	George Deemer	Wayne County, West Va.	October 9, 1851	Effective	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge	Granville, "	April 22, 1854	On Trial	32	1
3	Silas Burns	South Wheeling, "	December 25, 1854	Effective	26	3
4	William Summers	Martins Ferry, Ohio	March 29, 1855	Superannuated	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin	Ripley, West Va	April 3, 1855	On Trial	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe	Clinton Furnace, West Va	December 4, 1855	Effective	33	2
7	Jesse Freeland	Kingwood, "	June 6, 1856	Superannuated	40	6
8	James A Young	Near Shinnston, "	June 17, 1857	On Trial	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle	Washington, D. C	August 7, 1862	Effective	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson	Knightstown, Indiana	July 10, 1864	Superannuated	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.	August 26, 1865	Effective	37	10
12	William R. Carroll	Near Kingwood, West Va	July 20, 1867	Superannuated	38	4
13	W. D. Warman	Ravenswood, "	1868	Effective	47	7
14	Philip Green	Near Lumberport, "	January 24, 1870	Superannuated	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith	Buffalo, "	May 19, 1870	Effective	45	6
16	John L. Irwin	Fairmont, "	April 26, 1871	Effective	59	40
17	George Monroe	Point Pleasant, "	August 8, 1872	Superannuated	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon	Burning Springs, "	March 6, 1873	Effective	37	7
19	George W. Richmond	Wheeling, "	March 16, 1874	Effective	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley	West Liberty, "	May 3, 1875	Effective	33	11
21	Michael Dowler	Marshall County, "	November 29, 1875	Superannuated	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel	Rosemond, Illinois	May 23, 1876	Superannuated	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman	Moundsville, West Va.	March 17, 1878	Effective	56	28
24	J. G. Blair	Fairmont, "	December 23, 1878	Effective	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes	Cameron, "	September 13, 1879	Effective	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom	Barboursville, "	1881	Superannuated	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie	Gallipolis, Ohio	July 7, 1881	Superannuated	80	45
28	S. D. Jones	Williamstown, West Va	March 21, 1881	Superannuated	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., West Va	December 13, 1882	Superannuated	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver	Upland, Pennsylvania	May 19, 1883	Superannuated	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott	Near Cameron, West Va	November 8, 1883	Effective	49	10
32	W. H. Young	Middlebourne, "	May, 1884	Effective	38	14
33	David M. Heaston	Buckhannon, "	November 11, 1884	Effective	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley	Charleston	October 16, 1885	Effective	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin	Deer Park, Maryland	March 7, 1886	Superannuated	41	14
36	Samuel Steele	Buckhannon, West Va	May 24, 1886	Effective	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon	Near Mountain Cove, West Va	February, 1886	Superannuated	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin	Green Co., Pa	January 17, 1887	Superannuated	74	40
39	Calvin Conner	Moundsville, West Va	December 28, 1886	Superannuated	67	36
40	John C. Kurtz	Deer Park, Maryland	April 16, 1887	Effective	36	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan	Roane Co., West Va	October 14, 1887	Effective	54	14

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No.	Year.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling.....	Hamline	Charles Cook.
2	1849	October 5....	Clarksburg	Waugh.....	Alex. Martin.
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg.....	Janes	" "
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston	Morris	" "
5	1852	June 10.....	Morgantown	Simpson	" "
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston.....	Baker	" "
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont	Scott	" "
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling.....	Morris	" "
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville	Simpson	" "
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston	Ames	" "
12	1859	April 20.....	Parkersburg.....	Morris.....	" "
13	1860	March 14.....	Morgantown	Scott	" "
14	1861	March 13.....	Wheeling.....	Baker	Samuel Steele.
15	1862	March 12.....	Parkersburg.....	Scott	" "
16	1863	March 18.....	Fairmont	Morris	Alex. Martin.
17	1864	March 16.....	Parkersburg.....	Morris	" "
18	1865	March 8.....	Wheeling.....	Janes	" "
19	1866	March 21.....	Morgantown	Clark	" "
20	1867	March 14.....	Catlettsburg, Ky..	Thompson	" "
21	1868	March 11.....	Moundsville	Kingsley	Samuel Steele.
22	1869	March 11.....	Clarksburg	Ames	Alex. Martin.
23	1870	March 10.....	Charleston	Thompson	J. L. Clark.
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg.....	Clark	" "
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling.....	Simpson	" "
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews	" "
27	1874	March 11.....	Fairmont	Scott	" "
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant.....	Bowman	" "
29	1876	March 15.....	Wheeling.....	Harris	" "
30	1877	March 11.....	Grafton.....	Ames	" "
31	1877	October 4.....	Charleston	Scott	" "
32	1878	October 10....	Parkersburg.....	Harris	G. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1.....	Morgantown	Simpson	" "
34	1880	October 14....	Huntington	Peck.....	" "
35	1881	October 5.....	Moundsville	Foster	" "
36	1882	October 4.....	Clarksburg	Andrews	" "
37	1883	October 10....	Wheeling.....	Harris	" "
38	1884	October 1.....	Buckhannon	Walden	" "
39	1885	Sept. 24.....	Charleston	Merrill	W. G. Riddle.
40	1886	Sept. 23.....	Morgantown	Mallalieu	" "
41	1887	October 5.....	Parkersburg.....	Bowman	" "
42	1888	Sept. 26.....	Fairmont	Foster.....	" "
43	1889	Sept. 18.....	Point Pleasant.....	Joyce	" "

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Visitors.—Rev. L. L. Stewart and C. W. Cushing, D. D.

WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE.

Visitors.—Revs. G. W. Kepler and E. H. Orwen.

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SCIO COLLEGE.

Visitors.—Revs. C. S. Allemong and S. Earnest Jones.

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First Year.—C. Poling, P. C. Mays, E. H. Orwen.

Second Year.—J. A. Fullerton, J. M. Grose, W. W. King.

Third Year.—J. Lee, E. D. W. King, G. W. Kepler.

Fourth Year.—Geo. E. Hite, A. Mick, L. W. Roberts.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders.—M. W. Rider, G. H. Williams, A. S. Arnett.

Local Deacons for Elder's Orders.—F. N. Lynch, N. L. Baumgardner and G. W. Grimes.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

Appointee.—A. B. Rohrbough.

Alternate.—G. W. Grimes.

To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—C. J. Trippett.

Alternate.—Wm. Hunter.

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Railroad Secretary—J. B. Feather.
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NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the list of Appointments, page 26.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.

149 Allemong, Chas. S.
109 Arnett, Amos S.
165 Ash, David L.
48 Baumgardner, N. L.
167 Blaisdell, H. R.
45 Bolton, J. W. W.
98 Carder, George F.
57 Carder, David F.
73 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
55 Cheuvront, Wm. A.
86 Chidester, T. W.
120 Clark, Charles E.
82 Copeland, George R.
146 Cotton Thomas.
138 Cotton, Samuel J.
89 Cox, C. W.
19 Cottrill, Fred.
3 Cross, Levi.
42 Curtis, A. L.
162 Cushing, C. W.
70 Darlington, B.
50 Davis, J. T.
158 Denton, Douglas A.
6 Dryden, M. F.
51 Eichelberger, J. T.
148 Engle, Jeremiah.
21 Evans, Blackburn B.
107 Faulkner, T. R.
78 Feather, Joseph B.
83 Ford, F. G. W.
114 Friend, David A.
84 Fullerton, James A.
68 Gainer, Sylvester.
160 Galway, T. E.
166 Graham, C. B.
164 Grimes, George W.
34 Griffiths, J. W.
156 Hammond, David S.
100 Hennon, Watson R.
129 Hess, John W.
76 Hess, John H.
137 Hite, George E.
39½ Hughes, Robert H.
101 Hunter, Wm.
88 Jones, Samuel Eli.
147 Jones, S. Earnest.
1 Jordan, Lewis H.
40 Kelley, Wm. W.
119 Kepler, George W.
37 King, E. D. W.
159 King, Spencer.
153 King, Francis H. J.
66 King, Wm. W.
58 Lakin, Calvin H.
154 Lee, Joseph.
53 Lovett, Wm. E.
26 Lyda, Andrew J.
161 Lynch, Francis N.
132 Mahone, Bennett D.
46 Martin, Gideon.
69 Matheny, George W.
38 Mays, Perry C.
11 Meredith, Clinton B.
24 Mick, Asbury.
43 Moore, Archibald.
52 Morris, J. C.
72 Morriston, A. T.
142 Nichols, Anderson A.
30 Orwen, E. H.
85 Perry, Andrew D.
4 Polling, Cyrus.
17 Prince, Nathan H.
135 Pribble, Ulysses.

108 Rexroad, John C.
80 Rider, Morgan W.
163 Riheldaffer, Wm. G.
50 Richmond, Taylor.
10 Rogers, Benjamin F.
41 Rogers, Gilbert.
153 Roberts, Lloyd W.
16 Rohrbough, A. B.
150 Sanford, Henry C.
90 Shackelford, Chas. R.
106 Sharpes, Wm. J.
113 Sharp, J. N.
81 Skidmore, Elijah R.
125 Stewart, Lorin L.
123 Shaw, Wm. H.
49 Shaw, Charles E.
124 Tamblyn, S. D.
141 Taylor, Marion.
155 Upton, Caleb W.
171 Ward, Richard B.
22 Warden, James M.
75 Warman, Clemmer.
116 Welch, Randolph S.
7 Williams, Geo. H.
77 Woodruff, Erastus C.

EFFECTIVE DEACONS.

FIRST CLASS.

95 Adams, Andrew D.
54 Clark, Thomas H.
144 Crummitt, Simon P.
170 Fisher, George E.
136 Fletcher, Frank.
105 Fugate, James G.
103 Guinn, Wallace P.
99 Grose, J. M.
169 Holt, Wm. J.
130 Harkness, Wm. J.
121 Knotts, Marcellus.
112 Orr, Dexter B.
63 Ownby, Albert W.
127 Stratton, Joseph H.
140 Smith, Warren G.
104 Ward, George E.
47 Withers, Enoch S.
29 White, John J.

SECOND CLASS.

131 Coffield, Levi N.
Haines, Lorenzo D.
56 Hammond, Jos. A.
74 Shaw, George C.
Smith, Warren G.

FIRST YEAR ON TRIAL.

145 Anderson, William.
172 Arbuthnot, Sam'l K.
64 Beddow, John.
15 Bent, George W.
118 Dean, Willis E.
32 Dunbar, Floyd P.
96 Fitzwater, Brazilla.
33 Hanna, Eldridge D.
12 Lewis, George.
92 Meadows, Enoch L.
102 Nutter, Thomas.
14 Queen, Floyd W.
60 Redmon, John H.
2 Rogers, Willie C.
61 Vandervort, Wm. S.

SECOND YEAR ON TRIAL.

168 Arnold, Stark W.
5 Bent, Parris L.
128 Bleakly, Gregory.
27 Hammond, Wm. H.
34 Hughes, Arthur L.
152 Leatherby, Charles E.
93 McCoy, Wm. L.
23 McCutcheon, Wm. T.
71 Merrells, Arthur.
13 Robinson, John S.
9 Talbot, Martin.
20 Smith, George D.
94 Strader, Jacob C.
36 Ward, Henson L.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

Dawson, Samuel R.
Haines, Lorenzo D.
Hitchens, Samuel.
Ison, Benjamin.
Marston, George W.
Trippett, Caleb J.
White, Wm. R.
Woodyard, R. L.

SUPERANNUATES.

Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John.
Brooks, Robert.
Brooks, Richard L.
Carrico, W. D.
Carroll, J. T.
Clark, J. L.
Conwell, John.
Crossfield, George.
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benjamin.
Leslie, Lewis E.
McNeel, Moore.
McGinnis, D. A.
Miles, Henry H.
Northcraft, Richard.
Pinchen, John B.
Rager, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden.
Scott, Hezekiah.
Smith, Daniel W.
Stevens, Asby.
Trainer, Thomas H.
Wallace, R. M.
Webb, J. Wesley.
Wriston, William.
Williams, J. A.

SUMMARY OF ROLL.

In full connection and
entitled to vote:
Effective Elders..... 98
Effective Deacons..... 23
Supernumeraries..... 8
Superannuates..... 27
Total.....156
On Trial, { First Year... 15
 { Second Year 14
Grand Total.....185



Isaac W. Joyce

(Our Presiding Bishop for 1889.)

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FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, September 18th, 1889.

OPENING.—The West Virginia Annual Conference of the M. E. Church convened, for its FORTY-THIRD SESSION, in the Trinity M. E. Church, at Point Pleasant, W. Va., September 18, 1889, at 8:30 A. M., Bishop I. W. Joyce, D. D., presiding.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—Devotional services were conducted by the Bishop, who read the 53d chapter of Isaiah, and Matthew, 26th chapter, from 14 to 26 verses, inclusive, after which the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop Joyce, assisted by the Presiding Elders. A large number of preachers and members communed.

ROLL CALL.—The Secretary of the last Conference, W. G. Riheldaffer, called the roll, and 107 members answered to their names.

ELECTION OF SECRETARIES.—On motion of Dr. Fullerton, Wm. G. Riheldaffer was elected Secretary of the Conference by acclamation, with power to appoint his assistants, and he appointed T. E. Galway and S. D. Tamblyn, Assistant Secretaries; E. H. Orwen as Journal Secretary, and J. B. Feather as Railroad Secretary.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.—C. B. Graham was elected Statistical Secretary, and he nominated as his assistants

F. N. Lynch, George W. Grimes and E. D. Hanna, who were elected.

CONFERENCE TREASURER.—J. L. Clark was elected Conference Treasurer.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.—Nominations for the usual committees were made by the Presiding Elders, and they were confirmed by the Conference. [See list.]

Attention being called to the fact that the Kentucky Conference was now in session, near by, on motion of W. W. King, a committee of three was appointed to send greetings to our brethren of that Conference. W. W. King, G. E. Hite and L. L. Stewart were appointed such committee.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton, certain persons were excused from the examination of local preachers for Deacon's orders, they being candidates for admission on trial.

W. W. King was appointed as an examiner on the committee of the first year, in the place of G. W. Marston.

On motion of C. B. Graham, the Conference Treasurer was instructed to retain the collection for Freedmen Aid Society and pay the same over to the Treasurer of Conference Seminary.

W. F. M. SOCIETY REPORT.—The report, for the year, of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was presented, and ordered incorporated in the minutes, and additional collections for that fund were to be reported to Mrs. Heermans, West Virginia Conference Division Treasurer.

CHARTERED FUND.—The Bishop stated that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$30.00. The draft was ordered.

A resolution pertaining to the observance of the Sabbath was read and referred to the appropriate committee.

TIME OF SESSIONS.—On motion of W. R. White the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 8:30 A. M. and 11:45 A. M. Conference Prayer Meeting first half hour.

BAR OF CONFERENCE.—On motion of Dr. Hite, the Bar of the Conference was fixed on a line with the gallery.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—On motion, an afternoon session, at 2 o'clock, to receive collections and statistics, was ordered, and the Bishop appointed Dr. G. Martin to preside.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Dr. Horner was introduced to the Conference, who notified the preachers where they might meet him on business connected with the Book Depository of Pittsburgh; also, Brother Mallery, pastor of the Southern Methodist Church, and Brother Calihan, of Kentucky, were introduced.

The Bishop urged the preachers, because of the press of business by the meeting of many Conferences, to meet the agent of the Cincinnati Book Concern at as early a time as possible.

CONFERENCE POSTMASTER.—On motion of Dr. Hite, D. A. Denton was appointed Conference Postmaster.

QUESTION TWENTY-SECOND.—The twenty-second question, "Who have been transferred and to what Conference?" was taken up, and the Bishop announced the transfer of Daniel Cool to Central Illinois Conference; S. B. D. Prickett to Newark Conference; C. F. Bollinger to North Dakota; J. A. Dixon to Virginia; R. F. Randolph to Genesee; M. F. Dryden to Maine, and L. E. Resseger to North Dakota.

FIRST QUESTION.—"Who are received by transfer, and from what Conferences?" was called, and the Bishop announced the transfer of G. R. Copeland from Central Illinois, and Dr. C. W. Cushing from Genesee Conference to the West Virginia Conference.

EIGHTEENTH QUESTION.—"Who are the Supernumerary preachers?" and the following were continued in that relation: S. R. Dawson, R. L. Woodyard, Samuel Hitchens and J. W. Webb. J. W. W. Bolton was placed on the Effective List.

NINETEENTH QUESTION.—"Who are the Superannuated preachers?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, the following were continued in that relation: D. S. Benedum, J. Birkitt, Robert Brooks, R. L. Brooks, George Crossfield, J. T. Carroll, J. J. Dolliver, B. Hagar, L. E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, Moore McNeel, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Vanlinden Sanford, Hez. Scott, Asby Stevens, T. H. Trainer, Wm. Wriston, J. A. Williams, R. M. Wallace, and J. L. Clark.

A resolution presented, authorizing a loan of \$100 from

the Conference Educational Society to George E. Fisher, was, on motion, referred to a committee of nine, (see committees) to whom similar resolutions were to be referred for report.

TWENTIETH QUESTION.—“Was the character of each preacher examined?” was taken up. It was ordered that in making his report each pastor state the amount of the Missionary and Conference Claimant's Collection, and also whether all the collections have been taken.

L. H. Jordan, the Presiding Elder of Buckhannon District, was called, his character passed, and he presented a report of his District.

The names of the preachers of the Buckhannon District were called. Those present and in charge reported their collections, and the character of each passed as follows, viz: F. Cottrill, J. N. Sharp, G. H. Williams, B. F. Rogers, C. B. Meredith, A. B. Rohrbough, N. H. Prince, C. Poling, and B. B. Evans.

J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder of the Charleston District, was called, his character passed, and he presented the state of the work under his supervision.

The names of the following were called, their character was passed, and those in charge reported their collections: B. B. Ward, J. W. Griffiths, A. J. Lyda, C. R. Shackelford, E. D. W. King, and Marion Taylor.

The name of S. E. Jones, Presiding Elder of Wheeling District, was called, his character passed, and he reported the state of the work on his District.

The names of the Elders of the District were called, the character of each passed, those in charge reporting their collections: C. S. Allemong, F. N. Lynch, H. C. Sanford, L. W. Roberts, L. L. Stewart, C. H. Lakin, D. S. Hammond, B. Ison, T. E. Galway, Wm. G. Riheldaffer, C. W. Cushing, D. L. Ash, C. B. Graham, and H. R. Blaisdell.

J. A. Fullerton, Presiding Elder of the Parkersburg District, was called, his character passed, and he presented a report of his District.

The names of the Elders were called, the character of each was passed, and those in charge reported their collections: J. W. Hess, D. F. Carder, (no report), F. H. J.

King, U. Pribble, (no report), G. E. Hite, S. J. Cotton, W. W. Kelley, and Thomas Cotton. H. H. Miles was granted a superannuated relation, and on motion he was requested to locate at our next session.

Joseph Lee, Presiding Elder of the Clarksburg District, was called, his character passed, and he reported the work under his charge.

The names of the Elders on his District were called, their characters passed, and those in charge reported their collections: Gilbert Rogers, A. L. Curtis, Archibald Moore, Gideon Martin, Spencer King, N. L. Baumgardner, C. E. Clark, Taylor Richmond, J. C. Morris, W. E. Lovett, W. A. Cheuvront, and B. D. Mahone.

HOURLY OF ADJOURNMENT.—The hour of adjournment having arrived, the list of committees was called and announcement of time and place of meeting made.

A. B. Rohrbough was appointed to conduct the devotional services at the afternoon session, and L. L. Stewart to conduct the opening services at the Thursday morning session.

Dr. A. J. Lyda, in some well-chosen words, in behalf of the Church, and people of the city of Point Pleasant, extended to the Conference a hearty welcome.

The Bishop addressed the Conference, and hoped we might be united in heart and sympathy, and thereby be qualified to do better work.

The Conference adjourned and the Benediction was pronounced by C. H. Lakin.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 2 o'clock P. M. and was called to order by Dr. Gideon Martin, who occupied the chair by appointment.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—A. B. Rohrbough conducted the devotional services.

The object of the session was stated, and C. H. Lakin was appointed to receive collections for Conference Claimants, J. L. Clark to receive Benevolent Collections, C. B. Graham Statistics, and S. D. Tamblyn to receive money for minutes.

The roll was called and 34 charges failed to report.

The work being completed, on motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by Dr. W. R. White.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY.

POINT PLEASANT, W. VA., Sept. 19, 1889.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—Religious services began at 8:30 A. M., conducted by L. L. Stewart, who read the 3d chapter of Eph., announced the 741st Hymn, and after singing, led in prayer.

At the conclusion of the prayer service, at 9 o'clock, the Bishop called the Conference to order.

READING JOURNAL.—The Secretary read the minutes of Wednesday's sessions, which were approved.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Dr. Earl Cranston, of the Western Book Concern, and Dr. D. H. Moore, Editor of *Western Christian Advocate*, were introduced.

Dr. Cranston presented the claim and interest of the Book Concern, during which time the Bishop announced the amount of dividend to our Conference, which was \$1,098.

Dr. D. H. Moore then presented the claim of the *Western Christian Advocate*, and referred feelingly to the death of Dr. Bayliss, former editor of that *Advocate*.

Dr. Horner again called the attention of the Conference to the book accounts of the Pittsburg Depository.

DRAFT ON NEW YORK.—Conference ordered the draft on New York for \$1,098 to be paid to G. H. Williams, Chairman of the Board of Stewards.

On motion of Dr. Hite, the paper in reference to the Episcopal Fund Apportionment, was referred to the Presiding Elders.

The Bishop called attention to a letter from Dr. Mendenhall, editor of the *Review*, in which he asked the appoint-

ment of some one to take *Review* subscriptions, and F. N. Lynch was appointed.

W. W. Kelley was appointed to collect money due *Gospel in All Lands*.

On motion, C. E. Clark was selected to secure new subscriptions for the same periodical.

Attention was called to the exhibit of the Book Concern, and it was referred to the Committee on "Periodicals and Book Accounts."

On motion, a communication from Boston School of Theology was referred to the Committee on Education.

T. W. Chidester was appointed to receive moneys for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. Hermans so requesting.

F. N. Lynch was excused from serving as Assistant Statistical Secretary, and A. Moore was elected in his place.

TWENTIETH QUESTION.—The twentieth question was resumed and Oakland District was called. The character of W. J. Sharps, Presiding Elder, was passed, and he read a report of his work.

The following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and those present reported their collections: T. R. Faulkner, J. C. Rexroad, D. A. Friend, R. S. Welch, Levi Cross, G. W. Kepler, C. J. Trippett and W. H. Shaw.

Guyandotte District was called, the character of M. W. Rider, Presiding Elder, was passed, and he reported the work on his District.

The character of the following Effective Elders was passed, and those present reported their collections: J. T. Davis, S. T. Tamblyn, W. W. King, G. W. Matheney, G. W. Marston and B. Darlington.

The name of R. H. Hughes, Presiding Elder of New River District, was called, his character passed, and he presented his report.

The names of the following Effective Elders were called, their characters passed, and those present reported their collections: A. A. Nichols, G. L. Carder, W. R. Hennon, Wm. Hunter and P. C. Mays.

The name of J. F. Chenoweth, Presiding Elder of Mor-

gantown District, was called, his character passed, and he reported his District.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their collections: C. W. Cox, C. Warman, J. H. Hess, E. C. Woodruff, C. W. Upton, E. H. Orwen, J. B. Feather, E. R. Skidmore, W. R. White, F. G. W. Ford, T. W. Chidester, A. D. Perry and W. P. Weekly.

Under Question Twentieth, the Bishop called the names of the Effective Elders who were absent on the call of yesterday.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.—W. D. Carrico was called, his character passed, and he was granted a superannuated relation.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.—John Conwell was called, his character passed, and he was granted a superannuated relation.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—The name of A. Mick was called and his character passed.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.—D. F. Carder was called, his character passed, and he reported his collections. U. Pribble was called and his character passed.

WHEELING DISTRICT.—J. T. Eichelberger and G. W. Grimes were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.—J. Engle was called and his character passed.

On motion of E. H. Orwen, the reports of the Presiding Elders were ordered to be incorporated in the minutes.

SECOND QUESTION.—The second question, "Who are admitted on trial?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, L. A. Core, who was recommended by the Bromfield Street Quarterly Conference, Boston, was admitted on trial.

SIXTH QUESTION.—The sixth question was taken up, "Who are re-admitted?" and A. T. Morrison, from Guyandotte District, and J. M. Grose, from New River District, were re-admitted.

TWENTY-FIRST QUESTION.—The twenty-first question was

taken up, "Have any died?" and John B. West was reported to have died.

Thomas Cotton, State Agent of the American Bible Society, made a stirring speech on the Bible Cause.

The parchments of George L. Carder were handed over to him, he having given a written answer to the disciplinary questions.

G. B. Smith, President of Scio College, addressed the Conference in the interests of that school.

THIRTY-THIRD QUESTION.—The thirty-third question was taken up, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" and Moundsville, Grafton, Buckhannon and Weston were nominated. Weston was selected, and the vote made unanimous.

The Statistical Secretary called for missing statistics.

J. L. Clark, Conference Treasurer, made a call for missing collections.

Several reports were handed in.

The Statistical Secretary was instructed to insert report of last year if no report of this year was received.

TIME EXTENDED.—On motion, the time was extended.

R. B. Ward was appointed on the Committee of Third Year in place of A. Mick.

C. R. Shackelford was appointed in place of S. B. D. Prickett on the Committee for Admission on Trial.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton, the Committee on Public Worship was requested to arrange for a sermon, for each afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, during the session of the Conference.

INTRODUCTION.—Dr. Robinson, of Rock River Conference was introduced.

C. W. Upton was appointed to conduct the devotional services on Friday morning.

Announcements were made, and Conference adjourned. Benediction was pronounced by Dr. C. W. Cushing.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY.

POINT PLEASANT, W. VA., Sept. 20, 1889.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—The devotional services began at 8:30 A. M., conducted by C. W. Upton, who read the 34th Psalm, and announced the 324th Hymn. After the singing he led in prayer. At the hour of 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair and called the Conference to order.

JOURNAL.—The Secretary read the minutes of the previous session, which were approved.

GREETINGS.—A communication from the Kentucky Conference, containing friendly greetings to this body, was received and read.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Drs. T. P. Marsh, of Mt. Union College; C. W. Smith, of the Pittsburg *Christian Advocate*; Rev. J. C. Arbuckle, of the Ohio Conference; Drs. A. H. Norcross, of the Pittsburg Female College, and H. R. Blaisdell, of Wheeling Female College, were introduced to the Conference.

The Bishop called the attention of the Conference to a paper entitled *The Christian Educator*, and recommended it to the patronage of the Conference.

LEFT WITHOUT APPOINTMENT.—On motion, R. B. Ward, W. J. Holt, G. E. Fisher and Stark W. Arnold were left without an appointment, to attend one of our schools.

FIFTH QUESTION.—“Who are admitted into full connection?” was taken up. The class consisting of the following named persons: E. S. Withers, J. J. White, T. H. Clark, A. W. Lowther, W. J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, G. E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, S. P. Crummitt, A. D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts and W. L. McCoy, was called to the altar by the Bishop. He addressed them on the necessary qualifications for a successful ministry, and propounded the required Disciplinary questions.

The final disposition of the class was as follows: After

the usual Disciplinary proceedings, E. S. Withers, J. J. White, T. H. Clark, A. W. Lowther, W. J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, W. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, S. P. Crummitt, A. D. Adams and Marcellus Knotts were received into full connection and elected to Deacon's Orders, except J. J. White, S. P. Crummitt and Marcellus Knotts, who were Deacons.

H. L. Ward and W. L. McCoy were continued on trial.

PRESENTATION.—At this juncture the Bishop stated that some of the young men desired to say a few words. A committee from the New River District appeared, and in pleasant words presented to R. H. Hughes, retiring Presiding Elder, a handsome copy of the Bible and a beautiful bouquet, and Bro. Hughes feelingly responded.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Dr. Mendenhall, of the *Methodist Review*; M. W. Hissey and J. K. Ago, of the Ohio Conference; and Dr. E. M. Turner, of the West Virginia University, were introduced.

Dr. Marsh addressed the Conference in the interests of Mt. Union College.

Dr. Mendenhall then spoke in the interests of the *Methodist Review*.

On motion, the time was extended.

FOURTEENTH QUESTION.—“What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?” was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Amos S. Arnett, Douglass A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw and S. Eli Jones were elected to Elder's Orders.

L. D. Haines was not present, and, on motion, he was granted a supernumerary relation and continued in his class.

TENTH QUESTION.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?” was called, and Samuel K. Arbuthnot, Wm. S. Vandervort, Gregory Bleakly, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, J. T. Piggott and Morris Rulong being duly recommended, and having passed their examination, were represented by their Presiding Elders and elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

THIRD QUESTION.—“Who remain on Trial?” was taken

up, and, after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Stark W. Arnold, Martin Talbott, John S. Robinson, G. D. Smith, P. L. Bent, J. C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, A. L. Hughes, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly and C. E. Leatherby were continued on trial and passed to the class of the second year.

Sylvester Gainer, of this class, was placed on the list of Effective Elders.

Stark W. Arnold, Martin Talbott and Arthur L. Hughes are to pass in their examination of next year, on the first and second year's course of study.

Announcements were made. The Bishop appointed Dr. C. W. Cushing to conduct the religious services of Saturday morning. Doxology was sung, and Benediction pronounced by Dr. C. W. Smith.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY.

POINT PLEASANT, W. VA., September 21, 1889.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—The devotional services began at 8:30 A. M., conducted by Dr. C. W. Cushing, who read a part of the 6th chapter of Ephesians, and announced the first Hymn. After the singing, he led in prayer.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair and called the Conference to order.

READING THE JOURNAL.—The Secretary read the minutes of the previous session, which were approved.

On motion of Dr. Martin, Dr. Webb was granted a superannuated relation, and on motion of J. Lee, his case was referred to the Board of Stewards.

D. W. Smith was granted a superannuated relation.

On motion of R. H. Hughes, Bro. A. A. Nichols' case was referred to the Board of Stewards.

On motion of C. R. Shackelford, the case of D. W. Smith was referred to the Board of Stewards.

The Board of Stewards retired to consider the matters referred to them.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Dr. Davidson, agent of the Sunday School Union; Dr. Spence, of Grant University, and Dr. T. C. Iliff, Superintendent of the Utah Mission, were introduced.

SECOND QUESTION.—The second question, "Who are admitted on trial?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Samuel K. Arbuthnot, George W. Bent, George Lewis, Willie C. Rogers, Floyd W. Queen, Floyd P. Dunbar, Enoch L. Meadows, Eldridge D. Hanna, John H. Redmon, William S. Vandervort, Brazilla Fitzwater, Thomas Nutter, Willis E. Dean, William Anderson and John Beddow were admitted on trial.

FIRST QUESTION.—The first question was called, "Who are received by transfer, and from what Conferences?" and the Bishop announced the transfer of M. F. Dryden from Maine Conference.

Dr. C. W. Smith represented the interests of the Pittsburg *Christian Advocate*.

TWENTY-EIGHTH QUESTION.—"Who are selected for Triers of Appeals?" was called, and the Bishop named the following persons, who were confirmed by the Conference: B. B. Evans, W. R. Hennon, C. S. Allemong, W. H. Shaw, C. B. Graham, J. B. Feather and A. J. Lyda.

THIRTEENTH QUESTION.—The thirteenth question, "Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?" was taken up. The following brethren were called: D. B. Orr, Geo. L. Carder, Daniel W. Smith, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, George E. Ward, Joseph A. Hammond and G. C. Shaw.

After the usual disciplinary proceedings, the final disposition of the class was as follows: D. B. Orr, Daniel W. Smith and George E. Ward were continued in the first class of Deacons.

George L. Carder, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, Joseph A. Hammond and G. C. Shaw were advanced to the second class of Deacons.

Dr. Norcross represented the interests of the Pittsburg Female College.

Dr. W. L. Davidson presented the interests of the Sunday School Union.

Dr. Spence, Chancellor of Grant University, addressed the Conference in the interests of the educational work in the South.

Dr. Spencer spoke in the interests of the Church Extension Society.

Dr. Iliff represented the work of the Utah Mission.

On motion, the time was extended.

The Conference requested the Bishop to appoint Thomas Cotton as State Bible Agent, Dr. H. R. Blaisdell as President of the Wheeling Female College, and R. H. Hughes as Financial Agent of the West Virginia Conference Seminary.

The Conference proceeded to elect two Ministerial and two Lay Delegates to the Ecumenical Conference.

Tellers were appointed and the vote was taken.

On motion, it was ordered that a majority of votes cast should elect.

B. F. Martin presented the Steward's Report, which he read, and the money was disbursed.

A resolution requesting the Committees of Examination to meet the classes next year, on the day before the Conference session, at 2 o'clock, was read and adopted.

The Committee on Loans from the Educational Fund presented their report, which was adopted.

J. L. Clark, as Treasurer of the Educational Fund and Permanent Fund, made his report, which was adopted.

On motion of L. H. Jordan, money loaned to young men from the Educational Fund to use in attending school and not so used, the Treasurer was instructed to proceed to collect the same.

The note of Parson B. Cuppett was read and approved. W. J. Holt's note was presented to the Conference and accepted.

The tellers to take the vote for Ministerial Delegates returned and reported no election.

Another ballot was taken.

On motion, a supernumerary relation was granted to G. W. Marston.

Tellers for Lay Delegates returned and reported that B. F. Martin had received a majority of the votes cast, and he was declared elected as one of the Delegates. Another ballot was taken.

A very pleasant matter was brought before the Conference by W. W. Kelley, who in well arranged remarks presented a set of Whedon's Commentaries and a fountain pen to the Presiding Elder of Parkersburg District, Dr. J. A. Fullerton, who happily responded.

The tellers for Lay Delegates returned and reported no election, whereupon H. C. McWhorter was elected by acclamation as the second Lay Delegate.

Reports on the Bible Cause, Periodicals and Book Accounts, Sunday Schools and Tracts, and Missions were presented and adopted.

It was ordered that the memoirs were to be read on Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Hite moved that the two ministers receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot be elected as delegates to the Ecumenical Conference, which carried.

Dr. Lyda announced the several religious services to be held on the Sabbath in this city and vicinity.

On motion, it was ordered that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock A. M. Monday.

C. H. Lakin was appointed to conduct the religious services Monday morning.

The tellers announced that J. A. Fullerton and L. L. Stewart had received the highest number of votes cast, and they were declared elected Ministerial Delegates to the Ecumenical Conference.

Conference adjourned, Doxology sung, and Benediction pronounced by Dr. Iliff.



FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY.

MONDAY, September 23, 1889.

OPENING.—Conference assembled at 8 A. M. The devotional services were conducted by C. H. Lakin.

MINUTES.—The minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

ALTERNATES.—On motion, the minister and layman receiving the highest number of votes were to be the alternates to the Ecumenical Conference.

Dr. George E. Hite declined the position, and Dr. W. R. White, minister, and J. C. Bardall, Esq., layman, were elected as the delegates.

The following certificate of ordination was presented by the Bishop and read by the Secretary :

THIS CERTIFIES, that in Point Pleasant, W. Va., September 22, 1889, I ordained as Deacons, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Enoch S. Withers, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, James G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, A. W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, J. H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Andrew D. Adams, Samuel K. Arbuthnot, Wm. S. Vandervort, Gregory Bleakley, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, J. T. Piggott, Norris Rulong.

And the same day, in the same place, assisted by Elders, I ordained as Elders, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Amos S. Arnett, Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw and Samuel Eli Jones.

ISAAC W. JOYCE.

Point Pleasant, W. Va., Sept. 22, 1889.

TWENTY-SECOND QUESTION.—“Who are transferred and to what Conference?” was called, and Jas. P. McCormick, A. W. Lowther, and Wm. P. Weekly were announced as transferred to the Central Illinois Conference, and L. A. Core to the South India Conference.

EIGHTEENTH QUESTION.—“Who are the supernumerary preachers?” Under this question, Benj. Ison and W. R. White were granted a supernumerary relation.

S. K. Arbuthnot was left without appointment to attend school.

B. C. Cadwell was granted a location at his own request.

TREASURER'S REPORT.—The Conference Treasurer, J. L. Clark, presented his report, which was ordered to be read by districts. He announced that there had been a gratifying advance in most of the collections.

On motion of Dr. Hite, it was ordered that all money collected for educational purposes, except Children's Day Collection, be kept in this Conference for educational purposes.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—The Committee on Observance of the Sabbath presented its report, which was read.

A resolution, presented by L. L. Stewart, on the same question, bearing mainly on the Moundsville Camp Meeting, was read by him. (See report.)

A resolution intructing the Secretary, &c., and relieving the Conference from attendance, &c., was read. (See report.)

The report and the resolutions were adopted.

REQUEST FROM HUNTINGTON.—A request from the Huntington Church, in reference to money due Conference from the Church Extension Society, was presented.

On motion, it and all other such requests were referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

On motion of Dr. Hite, the following was offered as a substitute: That the Bishop be requested to ask the Board of Church Extension to grant to the West Virginia Conference \$2,000.00, \$1,000.00 to be used at Huntington. Adopted.

COLLECTION FOR CHURCH EXTENSION.—The Presiding Elders were requested to see that the Church Extension collection be taken in November.

LOANS.—On motion, a loan of \$150.00 was granted to J. A. Fullerton, and one of \$100.00 to T. E. Galway, from the Conference Educational Fund, to assist them in educating their children.

Their notes were presented and approved by the Conference.

TEMPERANCE.—Committee on Temperance read their report, which was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.—To the county officials, complimentary to the Bishop, to the citizens of Huntington and Dr. Lyda, to the railroads, to the pastors of the churches, and to our transferring brethren, were adopted. (See resolutions.)

STATISTICS.—The Statistical Secretary read his report, giving the aggregates, with increase and decrease.

PRESENTATION.—A special privilege was granted to W. W. King, who on behalf of the preachers of the Guyandotte District presented some testimonials of their regard to M. W. Rider, the retiring Presiding Elder of the Guyandotte District. They also kindly remembered Bro. Rider's wife. Bro. Rider feelingly responded.

At this point the Bishop and Cabinet retired to finish their work. Dr. W. R. White took the chair.

MEMOIRS.—The Committee on Memoirs presented its report, which was read by Dr. J. L. Clark. Obituaries of John B. West, Mrs. A. T. Morriston, Mrs. Mary E. Mick, and Mrs. Susan D. Perry were presented. Appropriate remarks were made by G. Martin, G. W. Kepler, W. W. King and G. W. Metheny. The hymns, "Home of the Soul" and "The Sweet Bye-and-Bye," were feelingly sung.

The report was adopted and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

REPORTS.—Committee on District Conference Journals and the Committee on Parsonages and Furniture presented their reports. Adopted.

APPORTIONMENTS.—The apportionments to the districts of the benevolent collections were announced.

A resolution in respect to the appointment of Mary M. Bowen by the Woman's Home Missionary Society was read and adopted.

EDUCATION.—The report of the Committee on Education was read by Dr. White. Pending its adoption, Dr. H. R. Blaisdell addressed the Conference in the interests of the Wheeling Female College. A resolution in this connection, presented by Dr. C. W. Cushing, was adopted.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society reported. Report adopted.

The Secretary stated the condition of the Minute Fund.

J. A. Ewing, a layman, made a statement to the Conference, and invited them to Moundsville Camp Meeting.

At 10:40 o'clock the Bishop and cabinet returned.

PRESENTATION.—A. Moore, in behalf of the preachers of the Clarksburg District, presented to Brother J. Lee, the retiring Presiding Elder, a testimonial of their regard.

Brother Lee pleasantly responded.

Committee on Presiding Elders' Accounts presented their report, which was adopted.

MISSIONS.—The Presiding Elders, as a Committee on Missions, presented their report, the missionary appropriations were read, and the report was adopted.

C. J. Trippett was granted a supernumerary relation.

Collections for Janitor, amounting to \$14 08, and one for Secretary, amounting to \$6 36, were taken.

FINANCIAL AGENT.—R. H. Hughes, the newly elected Financial Agent of the Conference Seminary, addressed the Conference in its interests. The Bishop exhorted on the same line.

There being no other business, it was, on motion of W. G. Riheldaffer, ordered that after the reading of the Journal, and the appointments, the Conference adjourn *sine die*.

The Journal was read and approved, a hymn was sung, the Bishop led in prayer, the appointments were read, and the Forty-third Session of the West Virginia Annual Conference closed.

Benediction by the Bishop.

WM. G. RIHELDAFFER,
Secretary.

ISAAC W. JOYCE,
Presiding Bishop.



SPECIAL SERVICES.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Conference sermon by C. R. Shackelford.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Missionary sermon by J. H. Hess.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Sermon by Dr. Robinson.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Temperance mass meeting, addressed by L. L. Stewart, H. R. Blaisdell, F. N. Lynch and G. B. Smith.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Sermon by C. H. Lakin.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Conference Educational Anniversary, addressed by Drs. Norcross, Turner, White and Spence, and Hon. B. F. Martin.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Sermon by D. A. Friend.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Church Extension meeting, addressed by Dr. W. A. Spencer.

SUNDAY.

Conference Love Feast at 9 o'clock, led by G. Martin.

10:30, Sermon by Bishop Joyce, followed by the ordination of Deacons.

3:00, Baptism of children by Bishop Joyce, followed by the ordination of Elders.

3:30, Sermon by Dr. T. C. Pliff.

7:30, Sermon by Dr. Spencer, followed by revival services.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1.—“Who are received by transfer and from what Conference?”

ANSWER.—Charles W. Cushing, from the Genesee Conference.

George R. Copeland, from the Central Illinois Conference.

M. F. Dryden, from the Maine Conference.

Q. 2.—“Who are admitted on Trial?”

A.—Lewis A. Core, Samuel K. Arbuthnot, George W. Bent, George Lewis, Willie C. Rogers, Floyd W. Queen, Floyd P. Dunbar, Enoch L. Meadows, Eldrige D. Hanna, John H. Redmon, Wm. S. Vandervort, Brazilla Fitzwater, Thomas Nutter, Willis E. Dean, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow.

Q. 3.—“Who remain on Trial?”

A.—Stark W. Arnold, Henson L. Ward, W. L. McCoy, Martin Talbott, J. S. Robinson, G. D. Smith, P. L. Bent, J. C. Strader, W. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Arthur L. Hughes, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby.

Q. 4.—“Who are discontinued?”

A.—None.

Q. 5.—“Who are admitted into Full Connection?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, John J. White, Thos. H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummitt, Andrew D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts.

Q. 6.—“Who are re-admitted?”

A.—A. T. Morriston, J. M. Grose.

Q. 7.—“Who are received on credentials from other churches?”

A.—None.

Q. 8.—“What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, James G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Andrew D. Adams.

Q. 9.—“What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, Thomas H. Clark, Arthur W. Lowther, Wm. J. Holt, James G. Fugate, Wallace P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Burt C. Cadwell, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Andrew D. Adams.

Q. 10.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Samuel K. Arbuthnot, Wm. S. Vandervort, Gregory Bleakly, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, J. T. Piggott, Morris Rulong.

Q. 11.—“What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—S. K. Arbuthnot, W. S. Vandervort. Gregory Bleakly, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, J. T. Piggott, Morris Rulong.

Q. 12.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, Wm. J. Holt, J. G. Fugate, W. P. Guinn, Albert W. Ownby, Wm. J. Harkness, George E. Fisher, Joseph H. Stratton, Frank Fletcher, Simon P. Crummitt, Andrew D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts, J. M. Grose, D. B. Orr, Daniel W. Smith, George E. Ward.

Q. 13.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?”

A.—L. D. Haines, George L. Carder, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, Joseph A. Hammond, George C. Shaw.

Q. 14.—“What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Amos S. Arnett, Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, S. Eli Jones.

Q. 15.—“What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Amos S. Arnett, Douglas A. Denton, James P. McCormick, Charles E. Shaw, S. Eli Jones.

Q. 16.—“What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—None.

Q. 17.—“What Local Preachers have been ordained Elders?”

A.—None.

Q. 18.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?”

A.—S. R. Dawson, S. Hitchens, R. L. Woodyard, G. W. Marston, L. D. Haines, W. R. White, B. Ison, C. J. Trippett.

Q. 19.—“Who are the Superannuated Preachers?”

A.—D. S. Benedum, John Birkitt, Robert Brooks, R. L. Brooks, George Crossfield, J. T. Carroll, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hagar, L. E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, M. McNeel, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Vanlinden Sanford, Hezekiah Scott, Asby Stevens, T. H. Trainer, Wm. Wriston, J. A. Williams, R. M. Wallace, J. L. Clark, John Conwell, H. H. Miles, W. D. Carrico, J. W. Webb, D. W. Smith.

Q. 20.—“Was the character of each preacher examined?”

A.—This was strictly done in open Conference.

Q. 21.—“Have any died?”

A.—John B. West.

Q. 22.—“Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?”

A.—Daniel Cool, to the Central Illinois Conference; S. B. D. Prickitt, to the Newark Conference; C. F. Bollinger and L. E. Resseger, to the North Dakota Conference; J. A. Dixon, to the Virginia Conference; R. F. Randolph, to the Genesee Conference; M. F. Dryden, to the Maine Conference; J. P. McCormick, A. W. Lowther and W. P. Weekly, to the Central Illinois Confere; L. A. Core, to, South India.

Q. 23.—“Have any withdrawn?”

A.—None.

Q. 24.—“Have any been located at their own request?”

A.—Burt C. Cadwell.

Q. 25.—“Have any been located?”

A.—None.

Q. 26.—“Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?”

A.—None.

Q. 27.—“Have any been expelled?”

A.—None.

Q. 28.—“Who are selected to be the Triers of Appeals?”

A.—B. B. Evans, W. R. Hennon, C. S. Allemong, J. B. Feather, W. H. Shaw, A. J. Lyda, C. B. Graham.

Q. 29.—“What is the statistical report for this Conference?”

A.—Probationers,	-	-	-	-	-	3,161
Full members,	-	-	-	-	-	38,586
Local preachers,	-	-	-	-	-	245
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	41,992

(See Statistical Tables.)

Q. 30.—“What are the claims on the Conference Fund?”

A.—\$3,000.00.

Q. 31.—“What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?”

A.—See Steward’s report. \$3,028.00.

Q. 32.—“Where are the preachers stationed?”

A.—See appointments.

Q. 33.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?”

A.—Weston, Lewis County, W. Va.

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- Rev. Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, D. D., LL. D., Philadelphia, Pa.
- Rev. Bishop John F. Hurst, D. D., LL. D., Washington, D. C.
- Rev. Bishop William X. Ninde, D. D., Topeka, Kansas.
- Rev. Bishop John M. Walden, D. D., LL. D., Cincinnati, Ohio.
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- Rev. Bishop Isaac W. Joyce, D. D., Chattanooga, Tenn.
- Rev. Bishop John P. Newman, D. D., Omaha, Neb.
- Rev. Bishop Daniel A. Goodsell, D. D., Texas.
- Rev. Bishop William Taylor, D. D., St. Paul de Loanda, West Coast of Africa.
- Rev. Bishop James M. Thoburn, Calcutta, India.
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HISTORIC NOTES.—First Society (of five members) organized in New York, by Philip Embury, a local preacher, October, 1766. First church edifice (John Street, New York) dedicated October 30, 1768. First itinerant preachers, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, sent by Mr. Wesley, from England, 1769—the former stationed in New York, the latter in Philadelphia. First Conference held in Philadelphia in 1773. First Delegated General Conference held in New York in 1812. First Bishops, Thomas Coke, LL. D., and Francis Asbury, ordained in 1784. First Sunday School organized in 1786, in Hanover County, Va., by Bishop Asbury. The next General Conference meets in Omaha, Nebraska, May, 1892.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE PREACHERS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

1. *L. H. Jordan, P. E.*, 3. *Postoffice, Buckhannon, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
2	Barbour	1	Willie C. Rogers....	Calhoun	Barbour....	W. Va.
3	Belington.....	1	Levi Cross	Belington	"	"
4	Beverly.....	1	Cyrus Poling.....	Beverly	Randolph.	"
5	Braxton	1	Parris L. Bent.....	Flatwoods	Braxton ..	"
6	Buckhannon	1	M. F. Dryden.....	Buckhannon ..	Upshur....	"
7	Buckhannon Circ't	2	G. H. Williams	Peck's Run.....	"	"
8	Canaan	1	B. B. Brooks (sup)..	Holly Grove....	"	"
9	East Buckhannon..	2	Martin Talbot.....	Talmansville...	"	"
10	Freemansburg	2	B. F. Rogers.....	Freemansburg..	Lewis.....	"
11	Frenchton.....	3	C. B. Meredith	Rock Cave.....	Upshur....	"
12	Gladly	1	George Lewis	Ireland	Lewis.....	"
13	Glenville	1	John S. Robinson...	Glenville	Gilmer....	"
14	Helvetia	1	F. W. Queen	Helvetia	Randolph.	"
15	Mingo.....	1	G. W. Bent	Crickard	"	"
16	Philippi	2	A. B. Rohrbough	Philippi.....	Barbour....	"
17	South Buckhann'n	3	N. H. Prince	Buckhannon....	Upshur....	"
18	Sutton	2	John Norris (sup)...	Braxton C. H....	Braxton ..	"
19	Troy	1	Fred Cottrill	Troy	Gilmer....	"
20	Webster	1	George D. Smith....	Addison	Webster....	"
21	Weston.....	2	B. B. Evans.....	Weston	Lewis.....	"

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

22. *J. M. Warden, P. E.*, 6. *Postoffice, Charleston, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
23	Calhoun	2	W. T. McCutcheon.	Arnoldsburg ..	Calhoun ...	W. Va.
24	Charleston	3	A. Mick.....	Charleston	Kanawha.	"
25	Charleston Circuit..	1	Jacob Hiatt (sup)...	Young's Mills ..	"	"
26	Clifton and Mason.	1	A. J. Lyda	Clifton	Mason	"
27	Danaville.....	1	W. H. Hammond....	Malden.....	Kanawha.	"
28	East Charleston.....	2	R. E. Hughes (sup)	Glendenin	"	"
29	Fisher's Point.....	3	J. J. White.....	Fisher's Point..	Jackson....	"
30	Hartford City	1	E. H. Orwen	Hartford City ..	Mason	"
31	Jackson	2	J. S. Jenkins (sup)..	Lockharts	Jackson....	"
32	Leon	1	F. P. Dunbar	Leon	Mason	"
33	Malden	1	Eldridge D. Hanna	Malden	Kanawha.	"
34	Point Pleasant.....	1	A. L. Hughes	Point Pleasant..	Mason	"
35	Ravenswood	1	J. W. Griffiths	Ravenswood	Jackson....	"
36	Raymond City.....	3	H. L. Ward	Raymond City..	Putnam ...	"
37	Ripley	5	E. D. W. King.....	Jackson C. H....	Jackson....	"
38	Spencer	1	P. C. Mays	Spencer	Roane.....	"
39	Walton	1	George Alley (sup).	Walton	"	"

39%. R. H. Hughes, Financial Agent Conference Seminary, member of Spencer Quarterly Conference.

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

40. *W. W. Kelly, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Clarksburg, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
41	Bridgeport	2	G. Rogers.....	Bridgeport	Harrison..	W. Va.
42	Cherry Camp.	2	A. L. Curtis.....	Cherry Camp... ..	"	"
43	Clarksburg	2	A. Moore	Clarksburg	"	"
44	Enterprise.	1	To be supplied..	Enterprise	Marion	"
45	Fairmont.	2	J. W. W. Bolton...	Fairmont	"	"
46	Farmington	3	G. Martin.....	Farmington.....	"	"
47	Logansport	1	E. S. Withers.....	Logansport.....	"	"
48	Lumberport	2	N. L. Baumgardner	Lumberport.....	Harrison..	"
49	Mannington	1	C. E. Shaw	Mannington.....	Marion	"
50	Marion	3	Taylor Richmond..	Barracksville ..	"	"
51	Pine Grove.....	1	J. T. Eichelberger.	Pine Grove.....	Wetzel.....	"
52	Pruntytown.....	2	J. C. Morris.....	Pruntytown.....	Taylor	"
53	Mount Clare	2	W. E. Lovett.....	Mount Clare.....	Harrison..	"
54	Salem	2	J. H. Clark.....	Salem	"	"
55	Smithton	2	W. A. Chevront ..	Smithton	Doddridge	"
56	West Milford.....	2	J. A. Hammond...	West Milford....	Harrison..	"
57	Wilsonburg	1	D. F. Carder.....	Wilsonburg	"	"

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

58. *C. H. Lakin, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Huntington, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
59	Cassville	4	J. T. Davis.....	Fort Gay.....	Wayne	W. Va.
60	Ceredo	1	J. H. Redmon.....	Ceredo	"	"
61	Coal River.....	1	W. S. Vandevort...	Peytonia.....	Boone	"
62	East Hamlin.....	1	D. R. Johnson (sup)	Hamlin.....	Lincoln	"
63	Fairfields	3	A. W. Ownby	Fairfields.....	Kanawha..	"
64	Guyandotte	1	John Beddow.....	Guyandotte	Cabell	"
65	Hamlin	1	To be supplied ..	Hamlin.....	Lincoln	"
66	Huntington.....	2	W. W. King	Huntington.....	Cabell	"
67	Laurel Hill	1	To be supplied ..	Tooley	Wayne	"
68	Milton	2	Sylvester Gainer ..	Milton	Cabell	"
69	Monticello	2	G. W. Matheny	Beech Hill.....	Mason	"
70	St. Albans	1	Benj. Darlington..	St. Albans.....	Kanawha..	"
71	Wayne	1	Arthur Merrels ..	Dickson	Wayne	"
72	Winfield.....	1	A. T. Morriston....	Winfield	Putnam ...	"

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

73. *J. F. Chenoweth, P. E., 5. Postoffice, Palatine, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
74	Arnettsville.....	1	George C. Shaw....	Arnettsville.....	Monong'a..	W. Va.
75	Blacksville	2	C. Warman.....	Blacksville.....	"	"
76	Grafton	2	J. H. Hess.....	Grafton	Taylor	"
77	Halleck	2	E. C. Woodruff....	Halleck	Preston ...	"
78	Jollytown	1	J. B. Feather.....	Jollytown.....	Greene	Penn'a
79	"	2	Steph. White (sup)	"	"	"
80	Kingwood	1	M. W. Rider.....	Kingwood	Preston ...	W. Va.
81	Knottsville	1	E. R. Skidmore....	Knottsville.....	Taylor	"
82	Littleton	1	G. R. Copeland	Littleton	Wetzel.....	"
83	Masontown.....	1	F. G. W. Ford.....	Masontown.....	Monong'a..	"
84	Morgantown	1	J. A. Fullerton	Morgantown.....	"	"
85	Morgantown Circ't	1	A. D. Perry	"	"	"
86	Monongalia	3	T. W. Chidester....	"	"	"
87	Mount Zion.....	2	Sam'l Harris (sup)..	Mt. Harmony...	"	"
88	Palatine.....	1	S. Eli Jones.....	Palatine	Marion.....	"
89	Tunnelton	1	C. W. Cox.....	Tunnelton	Preston ...	"

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

90. *C. R. Shackelford, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Malden, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
91	Blue Stone.....	2	W. D. Sanford (sup)	Duhring	Mercer.....	W. Va.
92	Boone	1	Enoch L. Meadows	Hewitt.....	Boone	"
93	Clay	1	Wm. L. McCoy	Tate Creek.....	Braxton	"
94	Concord	1	Jacob C. Strader.....	Concord.....	Mercer	"
95	Elk River.....	2	A. D. Adams.....	Osborne's Mills	Roane	"
96	Fayette	1	Barzilla Fitzwater.	Kincaid.....	Fayette	"
97	Flat Top	1	Thos. Parris (sup)...	Shady Springs..	Raleigh.....	"
98	Hinchmans	2	G. L. Carder.....	Bald Knob.....	Boone	"
99	Hinton	1	J. M. Grose.....	Fayette Station	Fayette	"
100	Mountain Cove ..	3	W. R. Hennen.....	Leander	"	"
101	Nicholas	2	Wm. Hunter.....	Kesler's XLanes	Nicholas ..	"
102	Oceana	1	Thomas Nutter.....	Oceana	Wyoming ..	"
103	Ophelia	2	W. P. Guinn	Ophelia	Nicholas ..	"
104	Pleasant Retreat...	1	George E. Ward	Pleasant Retr't.	Clay	"
105	Raleigh	1	J. G. Fugate.....	Raleigh C. H....	Raleigh.....	"

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

106. *Wm. J. Sharpes, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Oakland, Md.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
107	Albrightsville.....	4	T. R. Faulkner.....	Albright	Preston ..	W. Va.
108	Aurora.....	3	J. C. Rexroad.....	Aurora	"	"
109	Brandonville	2	A. S. Arnett	Brandonville ..	"	"
110	"	1	To be supplied	"	"	"
111	Cranesville.....	2	John Rexroad.....	Cranesville.....	"	"
112	Davis	1	D. B. Orr	Davis	Grant	"
113	Deer Park	1	J. N. Sharp	Deer Park.....	Garrett	Md.
114	Evansville	4	D. A. Friend.....	Evansville	Preston	W. Va.
115	Friendsville	1	To be supplied	Friendsville.....	Garrett	Md.
116	Grantsville	1	R. S. Welch	Grantsville.....	"	"
117	Hambleton	1	D. L. Carroll (sup)...	Hambleton	Grant	W. Va.
118	Hannahsville ..	1	Willis E. Dean	Hannahsville ..	Tucker	"
119	Newburg	2	G. W. Kepler	Newburg	Preston	"
120	Oakland	1	C. E. Clark	Oakland	Garrett	Md.
121	Pleasant Grove ..	2	M. Knotts	Fellowsville ..	Preston	W. Va.
122	Randolph Mission..	1	And. Moore (sup)...	Red Creek.....	Randolph ..	"
123	Rowlesburg	2	W. H. Shaw	Rowlesburg	Preston	"
124	Terra Alta	1	S. D. Tamblyn	Terra Alta.....	"	"

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

125. *L. L. Stewart, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Parkersburg, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
126	Belmont & Waverly	1	J. H. Doan (sup).....	.....	Wood	W. Va.
127	Belleville	1	J. H. Stratton	Belleville.....	.....	"
128	Cairo.....	1	Gregory Beakly.....	Cairo	Ritchie	"
129	Centreville	2	John W. Hess	Ripley	Tyler	"
130	Elizabeth	1	W. J. Harkness.....	Wirt C. H	Wirt	"
131	Elizabeth Circuit...	3	L. N. Coffield.....	Newark .....	.....	"
132	Ellenboro	1	B. D. Mahone	Ellenboro	Ritchie	"
133	Harrisville	3	F. H. J. King	Ritchie C. H....	.....	"
134	Kanawha	2	Daniel Smith (sup)	Dallison	Wood	"
135	Middlebourne	2	U. Pribble	Middlebourne...	Tyler	"
136	Mount Pleasant..	1	Frank Fletcher.....	Murphy's Mills	Wood	"
137	Parkersburg	3	George E. Hite.....	Parkersburg	"	"
138	Parkersburg Circ't	2	Samuel J. Cotton.....	Buffington.....	"	"
139	Pleasants	1	Isaac H. Funk (sup)	St. Marys.....	Pleasants..	"
140	Sistersville	1	W. G. Smith	Sistersville	Tyler	"
141	Shiloh	1	Marion Taylor.....	Shiloh	"	"
142	Smithville	1	A. A. Nichols	Smithville	Ritchie	"
143	Van Camp	1	J. R. Haught (sup).	Van Camp.....	Wetzel	"
144	West Union	1	S. P. Crummitt	West Union	Doddrige ..	"
145	Wmst'n & Rivers'ie	1	Wm. Anderson	Williamstown..	Wood	"

146. Thomas J. Cotton, agent American Bible Society, member of Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

147. *S. Ernest Jones, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Wheeling, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year.	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
148	Benwood	1	Jeremiah Engle.....	Benwood	Marshall...	W. Va.
149	Cameron	1	C. S. Allemong	Cameron.....	"	"
150	Dallas	2	H. C. Sanford	Dallas	"	"
151	Fulton	1	J. W. Downing (sup) ..	Wheeling	Ohio.....	"
152	Greene	1	C. E. Leatherby.....	Bannan	Marshall...	"
153	Marshall	2	L. W. Roberts.....	Sherrard.....	"	"
154	Moundsville	1	Joseph Lee.....	Moundsville.. ..	"	"
155	Moundsville Circ't ..	1	C. W. Upton.....	"	"	"
156	New Martinsville.....	5	D. L. Hammond.....	New Martinsv'e ..	Wetzel.....	"
157	New Mar'e Circuit.....	1	To be supplied.....	Green Hill.....	"	"
158	Pleasant Valley	3	D. A. Denton	Limestone	Marshall...	"
159	Short Creek & Lib'y ..	1	Spencer King	West Liberty... ..	Ohio.....	"
160	Triadelphia	4	T. E. Galway	Triadelphia	"	"
WHEELING.						
161	Chapline Street.....	1	F. N. Lynch.....	Wheeling	Ohio.....	"
162	Fourth Street	2	C. W. Cushing	"	"	"
163	North Street	1	W. G. Riheldaffer.....	"	"	"
164	Thomson Church	4	G. W. Grimes	"	"	"
165	Wesley Chapel.....	4	D. L. Ash	"	"	"
166	Zane Street	3	C. B. Graham	"	"	"

167. H. R. Blaisdell, President of Wheeling Female College, and member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference.

LEFT WITHOUT APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND SCHOOL.

168. Stark W. Arnold.
 169. Wm. J. Holt.
 170. George E. Fisher.
 171. R. B. Ward.
 172. S. K. Arbuthnot.

PRESIDING ELDERS' REPORTS.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT REPORT.

Charleston District has within its bounds eighteen stations and circuits. Nine of these are on the Ohio and Big Kanawha rivers, embracing the City of Charleston, the Capital of the State, and ten or eleven towns and villages. With the exception of this town and Ravenswood, stagnation has struck the Ohio river towns. This change has been going on for fifteen years. It is hard to know where this will end. The outlook is not encouraging in any of the towns within the District, except those already mentioned. There is great danger that some of these towns will droop and die. In some of these places our preachers, a few years ago, received a salary of \$1,000 a year; now,

two or three of these towns are in one circuit, and then only give a salary of \$500 or \$600 a year, including parsonages. Hundreds of our church members, some of them skilled laborers, have removed to other States, causing a constant drain upon the membership of the church. The wonder is that we are not decreasing in numbers, and doubtless would be, if it was not for the untiring efforts of the men who are laboring in these towns, and the revivals that crown their efforts from year to year. In the interior counties, and that part of the counties lying back from the river front, the outlook is more hopeful. Farmers are turning their attention to the development of their lands, so that improvements of a substantial kind are constantly going on, and railroads are beginning to enter these counties, and in a very few years this District will be entirely bounded by railroads, thus making it a very desirable work to travel. The pastors have been faithful during the year, all remaining on their work except Brother Smith, a young man of more than usual promise, who was stationed at Malden. He was compelled on account of ill health to give up his work about the middle of the year, and it is not likely that he will recover his health sufficiently to do further work in the ministry. The work has been supplied by Brother Lee, a student from the Ohio Wesleyan University, who has given general satisfaction to the people.

A good degree of success has attended the labors of preachers and people. About four hundred and fifty conversions have been reported to me during the year, and, therefore, the indications are that there will be a considerable net increase in the membership, and still, for the reason already given as well as others which might be given, it may not be so large as the numbers received on probation last winter might indicate. The overhauling of church records in some places will change the figures so as to reduce the numbers of last year, so that the increase in figures will not be great; and unfortunately many of our probationers are lost to the church by a failure to get them into full connection. They, often, come into the church under great excitement, and when the ex-

citement passes away they conclude that they were deceived and give up all effort to be religious.

Several churches have been dedicated during the year, all free of debt. The State Street M. E. Church at Charleston has undergone extensive repairs, costing several hundred dollars. The church at Spencer, and also at New Haven, have been repaired. There are several more churches well on the way to completion, and two or three ready for dedication. At Charleston, a comfortable parsonage has been purchased at a cost of something near three thousand dollars, and the pastor is now living in it. A parsonage has been built and paid for on the Mill Creek Circuit.

Sunday schools have, very generally, been organized into Missionary Societies, as the Discipline directs, and are supplied with our own book and periodical literature. Children's Day is greatly loved and widely observed with profit and pleasure by the Sunday schools.

The benevolent collections, I think, are in advance of last year, although some of our people have suffered severely from the floods of July last. Providence Church, on Jackson Circuit, a neat frame building, just finished and paid for, and which was to have been dedicated July 28, was swept from its foundation and literally torn to pieces and scattered down the valley for miles. These brethren who have lost their church must have help from abroad before they can rebuild, and they cannot get along without a place of worship, neither can other appointments on the circuit assist them, as they have their own church buildings, which were damaged by the floods, to repair; besides this is a new work, organized less than ten years ago, and in that time they have built five churches and paid for them, with the exception of one place, where they received a donation of \$100 from Church Extension Society.

The preachers in this District are not as well paid as they should be. We have made all possible efforts to induce the Stewards to adopt and carry out our Financial Plan. Many of our people are poor, but they certainly could do better than they are doing. However, we have

many liberal, loyal and true Methodists, often sacrificing for the cause of the Master, and we hope by their example and influence, together by constant teaching and training, to bring about a change that will insure a better support for these self-sacrificing preachers.

I have had the hearty co-operation of all the preachers in the District. I have only missed one Quarterly Meeting by sickness in five years, and that occurred at the time of the Second Quarterly Meeting of this year at Hartford City.

I have been present, as far as practicable, at all the Quarterly Meetings. By careful inquiry at the Quarterly Conferences, I can report that the preachers are trying to instruct the children according to the requirements of the Discipline.

I now take the privilege of extending to all my brethren in the ministry, who have labored so faithfully with me this year, the gratitude of my heart.

“May God bless you and cause His face to shine upon you.”

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT REPORT.

Good and aggressive work has been carried on during the year on the Clarksburg District. The pastors, with one exception, were in their places at the proper time, and their labors have not been in vain, but were blessed of God in the conversion of seven hundred and twenty souls. Two new churches are now in course of erection; one is on the Pine Grove Circuit and the other is at Adamston, near Clarksburg. The church building has been repaired and greatly improved at Wilsonburg, and several thousand dollars have been expended on remodelling the church at Clarksburg, which makes it now one of the finest in the bounds of the Conference. It has also been furnished with a beautiful new pipe organ. A parsonage has been secured on the Quiet Dell charge, which forms a comfortable residence for the pastor there. I do not know of any church or parsonage in the District that is seriously burdened with debt. I did the best I could to have the salaries of the pastors increased and paid, but we met with the usual complaint, in the most of the charges, that the times are

hard and money scarce; but I think the reports, on the whole, in this department will show an increase in the amounts paid. During the four years I have been on the District the increase in the amount contributed on salaries and benevolences is over \$1,000. The increase is largely due to the good work done by my predecessors. The increase has been steady and sure, and I believe there will be no reaction for the worse. I have strongly urged the benevolent collections, and I believe the reports when complete will reveal that we have made some advances in that respect the past year. The weather and roads were very unfavorable for traveling, but we kept close at work and the pastors all acted in harmony with me, and so we had, in many respects, a pleasant year and one marked with victories for Christ and Methodism. There are many poor people in the bounds of the Clarksburg District, and there are some who are comfortably situated, but in each condition we find the membership, as a rule, loyal to the Church, and this gives us hope for greater liberality in the future and of abundant prosperity in the work of the Lord.

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT REPORT.

The Guyandotte District consists, as for a number of years, of fourteen charges, of which twelve are circuits and two are stations. Ten of these were filled by Conference appointment and the rest by supplies. The preachers were all at their work in good time, and, with the exception of some changes in the supplies, all continued to labor faithfully until the close of the year.

A good degree of revival influence visited all the charges except two—the weakest in the District. About 400 conversions have been reported, and quite that number of accessions, mainly on probation. What number of these have been received into full membership I can not now say. On some of the charges, I know it has been larger than usual, and on others the percentage may be less. Various circumstances contribute to make the shrinkage of membership larger in this part of the Conference than in others. The work has lost very little this year by em-

igration, and there is manifestly a decided improvement in the confidence and hopefulness of our people.

The collections—always small—will show a decided increase, in some instances double those of last year, and the salaries of the preachers have in most cases been better paid.

The material progress has been somewhat encouraging. At Huntington the parsonage has been repainted without and refitted within, and the grounds have been improved and beautified. The plan for the much-needed new church has been selected, and with vigorous leadership the people seem ready to enter at once upon the erection of a building that shall fully meet the wants of the place.

The church at Guyandotte has been repainted without, and preparations are being made to improve the interior next season.

On Wayne Circuit the Emicetti church is being rebuilt, and will likely be completed this fall.

The church at Ousley's Gap, Milton Circuit, erected several years ago, but left incomplete, has been finished and was dedicated at the Fourth Quarterly Meeting. A parsonage is being built on this circuit and will likely be finished before winter.

On Monticello, the Hambrick church has been repaired and repainted within and without. Here, also, a parsonage enterprise is on hand.

The indebtedness on the church property at Fairfield has been reduced this year by the payment of \$80, and now amounts to but \$137, which should all be cleared off in another year. A beautiful chapel organ has been purchased and placed in the church.

On St. Albans, a church, long incomplete, was repaired and fitted up comfortably for use.

The interior of our church at Winfield has been remodeled and painted.

Our Sunday school interests are, upon the whole, not all that they ought to be. At Huntington our people claim to have a model school, almost filling the church in every part. At Guyandotte and some other places we have

good schools, but there is much room for improvement both in number and quality.

This territory has been free from disaster this year, and has been fairly prosperous. The towns on the Ohio maintain a steady growth and there is some measure of awakening in the interior, which contains immense mineral wealth. Already it is bounded on three sides by a double thoroughfare of railroad and navigable rivers, and penetrated by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad with different branches, one of which is being extended to richer coal fields. Others have been or are in the atmosphere, but have not yet materialized.

The conditions of advance and permanency here are zealous, skilful work and perpetual vigilance. For larger success we need more competent and thoroughly equipped ministers, who can hold their own in the presence of competing denominations. I am sorry to say that many of our congregations have only the school houses in which to worship. This proves only *some* better than no service at all. I know of only two or three instances where there has been any real building up in the absence of a church. The church building is essential as a nucleus and an anchor to our cause.

My health has been sustained so that I have held a Quarterly Meeting each Saturday and Sunday since Conference. It could hardly be otherwise than that I should feel weary in the work. However it may be elsewhere, it seems that on this District four years are sufficient for the average man to impress his personality, apply his methods and exhaust his energies.

My relations to my brethren in the ministry have been uniformly pleasant. The patience and self-denial of some of them has won my highest respect and reverence; besides, many of the laity have been endeared to me by mutual toils and sacrifices. Not only so, but the country itself has touched my affections. I seem to be familiar with every foot of the ground—and some of it is the finest in the State or anywhere.

The beautiful and picturesque valleys of the Ohio and Kanawha; the weird and historic interest of the Sandy,

and the Guyandotte and Coal rivers, with their fast-flowing yet glassy waters; with their rugged hills rising, as we ascend these streams, into precipitous, lofty, pine-clad mountains, have united to form a picture in memory's gallery that can never fade out.

During these years I have had no other interest but the upbuilding of the Kingdom of Christ. To this I have given the best that was in me, and whatever my weakness or failures, I trust that my labors have been acceptable to my Heavenly Father.

M. W. RIDER.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT REPORT.

This District consists of fifteen charges. Eleven of these were furnished with Conference preachers and four were supplied from the Local ranks. The preachers were all at their places soon after Conference and remained through the year, except two, doing faithful work for the Church and humanity. Rev. J. A. Dixon transferred to the Virginia Conference in February. Rev. A. L. Hughes became afflicted with some throat trouble and had to cease active work about the middle of July. The results of the year's work are rather encouraging. The preachers have received better salaries, they have experienced less of hardships and privations, and have been better cared for than ever before.

The collections are generally better than formerly. The number of conversions is not so great as in some of the previous years, but while this is true, more has been accomplished in the way of strengthening and building up the Church than in any former year. One good church on the Raleigh Charge was dedicated during the year. Several others are building, some nearly completed, and will be ready for dedication early in the coming year. One of these is near Big Sewel Mountain, one in the Rich Woods country, not far from Yew Pine Mountain. Something has been done in building parsonages. Two good ones have been completed this year, one on the Hinchman Charge, near the site of the old Hinchman Chapel, and one on the Ophelia Circuit, in the "Promised Land."

Many new appointments have been taken up. Whilst the Church has been enlarging her borders, breaking forth on the right hand and on the left, she has also strengthened

her stakes; the ground has been more thoroughly worked. Methodism stands fair in this District. It is rapidly coming to the front and is destined soon to become a controlling influence. The outlook is promising. We need to do our best, trust in God, and all will be well. There is great need of *faithful, earnest* work.

There are many advantages and some disadvantages connected with the work. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad runs through the center of the District, the Norfolk and Western, with its many branches, lies along the eastern side. These roads penetrate the great coal fields of the State and are developing the vast mineral wealth of the country. They have also brought in a large foreign population, most of which has never been brought under the refining influences of the Gospel. These people must be saved. Methodism will do her part in this work.

The eastern and southeastern part of this District will certainly be one of the richest portions of the State. There are immense forests of valuable timber untouched by the woodman's axe. The amount of coal is simply wonderful; no estimate can be made of it.

Our people are awakening to a better understanding of the circumstances about them. This awakening is manifest in the improvements that are being made; in the building up of better homes; in the modes of living; in the interest in education; in moral reformation; in higher types of religious life; indeed, in everything that ennobles and dignifies humanity.

After five years of hard work and of sacrifice and self-denial among the faithful preachers and hospitable people of the District, I can truly say I have done what I could. During the five years I have not missed an appointment on account of high water, ice, snow, storm, sunshine or ill health. The Lord has been with me. He has not suffered the waters to overflow me. Praise His name. The people have been kind and hospitable, the preachers faithful and helpful. To all of these I would now say: Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

R. H. HUGHES, P. E.

OAKLAND DISTRICT REPORT.

The Oakland District consists of seventeen appointments, the majority of which lie on the Alleghany range of mountains. It is doubtless one of the most important Districts in the Conference, as it joins the Baltimore Conference on the east and the Pittsburg Conference on the north, and from these and many other Conferences east and west receives annually in its beautiful mountain summer resort among the strongest ministers in the connection. New interests, also, are springing up within its bounds, especially along the West Virginia Central Railroad. Davis City is a mountain town of 1,000 inhabitants, and supports its minister, and yet it is only five or six years old. Gorman and Parsons are towns on the same line of road, and bid fair in the near future to become stations if properly managed. Hence we have need of active men to build up and hold these grounds.

We are doing what we can in church building, and could do much more if we could get a little money to each church. We built three churches during the year—one at Cranesville, on Cranesville Circuit, costing \$1,500.00; one at Hopewell, on Branchville Circuit, costing \$1,000.00; one at Flanagan's Hill, on Randolph Mission, costing \$600.00. We also bought a parsonage at Davis costing \$450.00, and one at Aurora costing \$600.00, and one at Hambleton costing \$300.00. Other churches and parsonages have been improved.

Our ministers were early at their work and have done faithful work during the year, showing themselves worthy of the trust the Church has reposed in them.

Our spiritual condition is good, and is constantly advancing. There were gracious revivals on all the charges, with one exception, hence there were about 700 conversions, the most of whom were gathered into the Church.

Our finances are not as good as they ought to be, and yet I think our reports will show a considerable advance over previous years, both in our preachers' salaries and also in the benevolent collections.

Our people are loyal, and, while it is true they do not pay as much as they should pay, they certainly pay as lib-

erally, according to their wealth, as in any other part of the Conference.

Our Sunday school interests are closely worked in all the charges, strictly using our own literature, and we hope to greatly increase subscriptions this year for the *Pittsburg Advocate* and other of our Church papers.

The Lord has greatly blessed me in my work, both physically and spiritually. I have been able to preach every Sabbath during the year, and have enjoyed a nearness to the Master that has been so sweet and precious to my soul that words poorly express. The Lord has been with me. The brethren in the ministry have greatly helped me, both in their counsel and by assisting me in holding my Quarterly Meetings. The Lord bless them for their universal kindness to me.

WM. J. SHARPES, P. E.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT REPORT.

The Parkersburg District consists of nineteen circuits and stations, and also of some missionary work not named in the Conference list of appointments. Our membership this year should reach about 5,700, divided among some seventy-six churches. Since our last Conference we have held our own and gained considerable ground. Methodism is steadily and successfully winning its way in this as in other parts of our State, and must now be regarded by all as the controlling religious force.

The brethren were all, with one exception, early and earnestly at work. H. H. Miles, about one month after Conference, notified me that owing to failing health he was unable to go to his charge. I succeeded after some time in securing the services of John Beddow, a candidate for our ministry from an English college. He has diligently cared for the Mt. Pleasant Circuit, and has had a larger share of solid prosperity than has fallen to the lot of this somewhat difficult field for several years.

Van Camp Circuit was supplied by Jacob R. Haught, also a candidate for admission, and his labors have been satisfactory to all concerned.

Our preachers have been faithful in all things, devoted

to their calling, blameless in their lives, and consecrated to the Lord for His use.

As is fully known to this Conference, we have been greatly hindered in most of our charges by terrible rain storms and devastating floods. Precious lives have been lost and much valuable property destroyed. Many have been left without money or food, while a large number have been seriously weakened in their resources, and will feel the result of the floods for years to come. This will, in a large measure, account for deficiencies in the salaries and collections of the preachers, as reported here to-day; and yet not a murmur, so far as known, has escaped the lips of any man in our ranks, and in the midst of many hindrances they have done their best to bring up all reports as creditably as possible.

We have had extensive revivals throughout the district. Hundreds of souls have been saved and the church grandly strengthened. I do not think it best to give any definite number when speaking of the converts. Experience has taught me that our revival figures are misleading, and statistical results alone can tell the issue, or present the sum total of the real number added to the church.

There is more of our own church literature circulated in this district than for some years past, and in our Sunday Schools we have nothing else.

In church property we have had valuable increase, briefly outlined as follows: Parkersburg Church remodeled and greatly improved throughout, and a fine pipe organ added, making this one of the very best buildings in the State; cost of improvements over \$5,000. The pastor, Dr. Hite, deserves much credit and praise for bringing about these necessary improvements. Two neat substantial frame churches have been built on the Belleville Circuit during this year, and notwithstanding floods, the indebtedness has been provided for. The pastor of these is S. E. Jones. An excellent frame building has been erected on Smithville Circuit—one of the best country churches in the district—and is paid for or provided by good subscription; George E. Fisher, pastor. A new church at Pleasant Hill, Volcano Circuit, has been secured and paid for.

This is also a very comfortable, large, well-finished house of worship, Gregory Bleakly, pastor. A good frame church building has been added to Elizabeth Circuit, where one was greatly needed, L. N. Coffield, pastor. Our fine brick church at Harrisville, though somewhat slowly, is, nevertheless, approaching completion, and will be a great help to Methodism in this old stronghold of our cause. Many of our people here suffered heavy loss from the fire of '88, and have not yet recovered. They should have more outside help to aid them in finishing and furnishing the new house; F. H. J. King, pastor. A good deal has been done in the way of repairs upon church and parsonage property, and I may possibly and unintentionally have omitted to mention other new church buildings erected near the beginning of the year.

We have also done something in the line of parsonages, and in this Conference this is much to be desired. W. G. Smith, at West Union, has secured a new parsonage where we have never had one before. It is a neat, well-built, comfortable house, and hereafter will make this a desirable charge.

J. H. Stratton has personally collected, having previously secured the subscription, to pay for a parsonage at Shiloh. The preacher on that charge will find a good home.

On the Elizabeth, and one or two other charges, arrangements are being made to build or buy parsonage property, or lots have been purchased for future use.

Three candidates for admission are recommended—good young men of more than average talent and ability. Two of them were students in an English training college, and prefer to enter the ministry in this country of the M. E. Church. They have had considerable experience as local preachers. Five are recommended for Local Deacon's orders. These are from fields or going to fields where their ordination will prove helpful to them and beneficial to the cause.

The outlook for the State of West Virginia is at this time most encouraging, and promising men are finding out more than ever the vast resources of wealth which are

hidden in our rugged mountains and beautiful valleys. The eye of the East is upon our land. Capitalists are finding their way in this direction; substantial enterprises are either already hopefully operating or in their incipency, brightening the future with expectation, and the day is not far distant when this State will rise into such prominence and wealth as to cause us to wonder how at any time we could have been discouraged or remained so long in comparison with the mightier "little and unknown." The day of promise, power and position will soon break, and the clouds that occasionally obscure our skies will pass away forever. As a Church we must "Hold the fort" and keep step with all present or promised attainments and expectations. Our men must not forsake the field; our people must not let them go. Lessons of liberality should be preached, prayed and pressed into the minds of the laity of Methodism all over West Virginia. Increased salaries for our ministry; larger giving for our benevolences; education for our young men; Methodism in our homes, and "Faith in God" is our rule of conduct every hour.

I conclude my fourth annual report and representation of this District with cordial and loving gratitude to my brethren for their hearty co-operation and Christian forbearance. I would that it had been possible to serve them better, to have proved more efficient and helpful. I shall long cherish with "Memory keen and heart made tender" the associations, fellowship, acts of kindness and unbroken lines of harmony that have prevailed among us; and wherever I may be in the future, it will ever be to me a sacred pleasure to help the men who have with me, side by side, labored in these whitened fields.

J. A. FULLERTON, P. E.

WHEELING DISTRICT REPORT.

For the Wheeling District, the year now closing has been one of average prosperity and steady progress. Of the nineteen pastorates which constitute it, eighteen were filled by appointment from the Conference, and one, New Martinsville Circuit, was very efficiently supplied by Bro. J. D. Smith, a local preacher. The preachers entered promptly upon their work at the beginning of the year,

and, with one exception, continued to its close. Bro. M. F. Dryden, who was appointed to North Street, Wheeling, was transferred to Portland, Maine, about the middle of the year. The work thus vacated has since been under the care of Bro. Spencer King.

It is with gratitude to our Heavenly Father that I am able to record that neither death nor any very serious sickness has visited the homes of the preachers during the year.

The prosecution of the customary revival work by protracted meetings has been much hindered in the rural parts by the continued rains, which in many places rendered the roads almost impassable. Notwithstanding this, however, there have been about 600 persons converted and received on probation, of whom nearly 400 have been taken into full connection with the Church. In some places the services held were characterized by great manifestations of Divine power. This was notably true of the revival in Moundsville station, where the meetings continued for many weeks and over 100 persons professed conversion.

There are evidences of increased spirituality in most of the charges. The claims of the children are receiving more attention and better work is being done in the Sabbath schools. Yet in this most important branch of Church work much improvement is still necessary. The organization and successful management of children's classes, as provided for by the Discipline, is a duty not yet successfully performed in many charges. We have not yet reached the point when we can get a satisfactory answer to the question put at each Quarterly Conference, "Have the rules respecting the instruction of children been observed?"

Something has been accomplished in building and improving churches and parsonages. A neat new church has been erected at Fairview, on the Marshall circuit, at a cost of about \$1,450.00. It was dedicated on September 8th, and all indebtedness provided for. A new church is about ready for dedication at Reader, on the New Martinsville circuit. It is worth about \$1,000.00. Also at Low Gap, on Greene circuit, a church has been built at

about the same cost. This will be dedicated soon after Conference. The spirit of improvement in church buildings has come upon the Methodists of Wheeling in great force. Thomson church has been rendered beautiful and comfortable by re-frescoing and painting, with new carpets and cushions, while the Sunday school rooms have been extended so as to largely increase their capacity. About \$2,500.00 has been thus wisely expended. The Chapline Street congregation has spent about a thousand dollars in re-papering, painting and otherwise renewing their church and parsonage, with such good results that these look as "good as new." Our people at Wesley church, with very commendable wisdom and courage, have undertaken extensive changes, which will give their church a handsome new front and greatly increase the attractiveness and commodiousness of the inside. This will be completed in two or three months, and, when it is finished, all the charges in Wheeling will have church buildings in good condition, and all but one will have comfortable parsonages. North Street church and parsonage have been cleared of debt during the year.

In the collections it is gratifying to notice some increase. I have taken some pains to get at the facts and expect to find that the Treasurer's report will show the missionary collection to be \$200.00 more than last year, and \$126.00 more than the apportionment. The Conference Claimants' collections will show \$125.00 more than last year, and the other collections from 10 to 15 per cent increase. This evidence of enlarged liberality will be found to a greater or less extent in most of the charges, while I believe that in none is there a decrease in aggregate of collections. But much still remains to be done to lay these great causes upon the hearts and commend them to the intelligence of our people. To this end the services of the veteran missionary, Dr. Butler, were obtained, and he spent nine days in Wheeling preaching and lecturing upon missionary themes in the churches of the city. The seed thus sown will, it is hoped, bring results in the years to come.

The salaries of the preachers, in many cases much too small if all paid, are in a few instances reported deficient.

Yet, on the whole, there has been greater promptness in meeting these obligations and a manifest disposition towards increased liberality. May this spirit abound more and more, till every preacher receives a sufficient salary, promptly paid. One reason for hope in this regard is found in the fact that there has been an increase in the Church papers taken in the greater part of the charges. The more papers taken the more intelligent will be the membership, and this cannot fail to result in increased liberality.

On the whole, the work is moving steadily forward, and we thank God and take courage. The forces arrayed against us are relentless and persistent; but God is giving victory to His people.

I am thankful to our Heavenly Father that my health has been preserved so that I have been able to meet all my appointments regularly. I desire also to express my appreciation of the kindly sympathy and co-operation I have received from the preachers and also the official brethren of the District. Through their forbearance and helpfulness the Quarterly Meetings have been uniformly seasons of harmony and spirituality.

S. ERNEST JONES, P. E.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT REPORT.

Morgantown District has one more charge this year than last. Fourteen regular pastors and two supplies have finished the work of another year.

Every pastor has been on his appointed field striving to do his duty. Some have been blessed with revivals; yet the success in this respect has not been so great as in some former years.

A Father's hand, gloved in crape, has been felt in one of our homes. Mrs. Susan B. Perry, wife of Rev. A. D. Perry, on the 4th day of April, after a long and taxing illness, was taken from the Church militant to the Church triumphant. She died with the triumph which a quiet, conscientious, devoted Christian life in the home and Church always brings. We hope to meet her in the "better land."

One new church has been dedicated, on the Masontown

charge. At Laurel Point, on the Monongalia charge, a fine new church is about completed, and will be dedicated soon after Conference. Other charges have been successful in paying church and parsonage debts and improving both church and parsonage property.

There is a growing love for Methodist doctrines, usages and literature. The Sunday schools are supplied with our own publications, and but few schools remain unorganized into missionary societies. The pastors have made a special effort to put a discipline into each home and to increase the circulation of our *advocates*.

Last year the salaries of the pastors and Presiding Elder aggregated \$9,919, with a deficiency of \$424. This year, total salaries aggregate \$10,319, with a total deficiency of about \$300. Increase of salary paid over last year about \$534. If our Conference had been two weeks later, at least two-thirds of the deficiency on pastors' salaries would have been paid.

I will simply say that Church literature, the benevolent collections and Sabbath school interests have been carefully looked after, and the reports of the pastors will show a steady advance in all departments of Church work.

For the wonderful peace in all our churches; for the faithfulness and love of the ministers; for the liberal spirit of the people; for the growth in holiness in the lives of His children, and for all other blessings we lift our hearts in profound thankfulness to our Heavenly Father.

J. F. CHENOWETH, P. E.



Memoirs.

REV. JOHN B. WEST.

John B. West, the oldest member of the West Virginia Conference, was born in Monongalia county, Virginia, June 25, 1799, and died at the home of his son-in-law, Frederick Dana, in Newport, Ohio, May 21, 1889. His mother was a daughter of David Morgan, an Indian fighter distinguished in border warfare. She was early converted to Christ, and joined the Church under the preaching of the Rev. Freeborn Garrettson. Father West was often impressed in early boyhood of the importance of being saved, but he did not yield fully to the dictations of the Spirit until in the twenty-first year of his age. His conversion was so marked and powerful that he never for a moment doubted it. He was licensed to exhort in 1821. In 1822 he was licensed to preach, recommended to the traveling connection, and received on trial in the Baltimore Conference. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Enoch George in 1824, at the annual session of the Baltimore Conference held at Winchester, Va. Of his appointments while a member of this Conference the writer knows nothing, except that at some time he served Lewis Circuit. He became a member of the Pittsburg Conference at its organization, and was ordained elder by Bishop Elijah Hedding, at Washington, Pa., in 1826. His ministerial record, according to the Rev. G. T. Reynolds' "Manual of the Pittsburg Conference," is as follows: 1825, Somerset; 1826, Randolph; 1827, Short Creek; 1828-32, superannuated; 1833, located; 1841, re-admitted and appointed to Brandonville, which he served two years; 1843-4, Fayette; 1845, Connellsville; 1846, Waynesburg; 1847-8, name appears on the supernumerary list, and appointed to Grave Creek; 1849, still supernumerary, and appointed to Elizabeth town; 1850, no record; 1851-4, name appears on the superannuated list; 1855, Centerville as supernumerary, but name not on that list; 1856, on superannuated list; 1857, transferred to West Virginia Conference.

He was twice married, first to Elizabeth Conely, who soon died, leaving one son; in 1828 he was married to Mary Alexander, daughter of the Rev. Joseph Alexander. They had ten children, six of whom have gone to the spirit land. The mother died October 23, 1873.

Father West was an exceedingly pleasant man. His life was a model and his presence a benediction to the people of the community where he lived. As long as he was able he preached almost every Sunday. He was a great help to his pastor, always ready and willing to fill the pulpit in case of the absence of the pastor. Owing to his extreme age he had been confined closely to his home for a long time. But he was affable, pleasant and interesting to all. In his heart and thought he kept pace with the Church, and did not believe that "the former days were better than these." He saw the progress and advancement of the Church for nearly a century. He outlived the the sainted Bishops who consecrated him to the sacred work of the Church more than half a century. His heart was always in the interest of the Church, His pathway grew brighter and bright unto the perfect day. His final illness lasted nearly six weeks, during which he suffered a great deal, but all was borne with fortitude and perfect resignation. He exhorted the unsaved around him to turn to Jesus. But his principal theme of conversation was Heaven and his loved ones there, whom he was anxious to join. His last words were, "All is right." He folded his hands and died peacefully, triumphant in a living faith in Christ. He had selected during his life a text for his funeral, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." The Rev. J. H. Doan conducted his funeral.

MRS. A. T. MORRISTON.

Rebecca A. Morrison, wife of the Rev. A. T. Morrison, was born September 2, 1846, and died May 19, 1889, at her home in Mason county, West Virginia. She was converted and joined the Church at Mt. Pisgah, on Monticello Circuit, West Virginia Conference, under the labors of L. Langley, a local preacher, of Gallipolis, in 1865. She was united in marriage to her now bereaved husband October 16, 1866. She was the mother of ten children, five of whom preceded her to the glory land. She shared the toils, cares and anxieties of an itinerant life with her husband for fifteen years. She was not demonstrative in her religious profession, but calm, determined and always consistent. She was beloved by all who knew her because of her quiet and peaceful life. Her interest in her family was intense and unabating. She was a tender mother, affectionate wife, and obliging neighbor. She will be much

missed by the Church and her relatives. A few days before her death she said to her anxious husband that she knew in whom she trusted, and though she was called away from her children and friends she would meet them all again in that land where there is no parting. She endured affliction long, but with much patience. For some days before her death she suffered intense pain, but without a murmur. A few hours before her death, while her husband and friends stood round watching with sad hearts the work of death, she became speechless. A near relative said to her: "Rebecca, you are almost home, are you not? If you can speak, give me some sign by a nod of the head, and by some voice." She answered in the affirmative, and passed away to join her children and friends in Heaven. Her pure and good life assures her friends of her fullness of joy and pleasure forevermore.

G. W. METHENY.

SUSAN B. PERRY.

Susan B. Perry was born May 13th, 1858, and converted in 1874, under the labors of J. W. Bedford, now of the Central Pennsylvania Conference, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was married to Rev. A. D. Perry, February 22, 1876, and became the wife of a Methodist minister, and devoted to the work of soul-saving. They traveled Casville, Boone, Hamlin, Charleston, Ripley, Rowlesburgh and Masontown Circuits. Sister Perry was a devoted wife, a true Christian and loving mother. About eight months of her last illness she was a great sufferer, but always patient, loving, and loyal to God and the Church, and under these severe afflictions she manifested the most perfect christian resignation, and endured hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ; and as she was approaching the river, she exhorted her husband to continue in the work and make full proof of the ministry, and on Thursday, April 4th, 1889, just as sun went down, her long, lingering suffering ended, as she calmly fell asleep in Jesus, and no doubt at all she has gone to the land where the shadows never come, and where they die no more. She leaves a husband and two children, Maryland, aged 11 years, and Georgie, aged 16 months, to join two others on the other and brighter shore.

MARY E. MICK.

Mary E. Mick, wife of the Rev. Asbury Mick, of the West Virginia Conference, and pastor of our Church at Charleston, was born July 22d, 1851, and died at the parsonage in Charleston December 12th, 1888. She was converted when quite young, and became a member of the Methodist Protestant Church.

She was married to Brother Mick January 18th, 1872, and immediately united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which she remained a faithful and consistent member until transferred to the church triumphant, her final home.

She was a woman with a sweet and cheerful disposition, domestic in her tastes, devoted to her home and her children, and a true helpmeet to her husband in all the arduous work belonging to his ministerial work. While taking no active part in the public work of the Church, because of her retiring nature, her Christian character was exhibited in its beauty in her home, where she made such impressions upon the different members of her family as can never be effaced.

Her final illness was of about four weeks' duration, during which time she suffered excruciatingly, but she bore it all patiently and uncomplainingly, and with Christian fortitude. During her suffering she was kept in perfect peace, because her mind was stayed on Christ. In her conversations with her husband when death was near, she spoke confidently of the presence of Christ, and of her hope of heaven. She died in full prospect of a blessed immortality; and although her family are bereaved and sorrow stricken, and sigh in vain "for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still," they sorrow not as those who have no hope. They will all meet again the morning.

W. WIRT KING.



REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Next in importance to the great duty of spreading Scriptural Holiness over the land, is that of encouraging a sanctified mental culture. In heeding the clamorings of the age in these two directions, the branch of the Church, to which we belong, has made a conspicuous record.

Born in a university, Methodism has always honored the cradle in which she was rocked, and *now*, as *always*, she repudiates and scorns the doctrine that ignorance can foster or favor piety, or that piety finds an ally in ignorance. Methodism proposes to utilize head forces and heart forces as well. She aims to redeem man from sin first, and then to aid him in obtaining all possible knowledge that is needed to make him qualified for *lief's* work.

The present age has been distinguished by the sublime deeds of holy rich men, who, instead of leaving their wealth to be consumed in riotous living by unworthy descendants, have consecrated that wealth to the grand mission of building Colleges, Universities and Theological schools, and other institutions that lend a helping hand to those who are ambitious to equip themselves to bless the race. There are in the bounds of our Conference men whom Providence has endowed with wealth. For some reason or other they have not been educated to the sublime idea that they might erect for themselves monuments more enduring than granite or marble.

A copy of Wesley's sermon on the use of riches might be to these brethren a means of grace and a source of revenue to our educational cause.

In a sermon on education each pastor will find it profitable to his people to inform them as to the grand educational department of our Church in America.

The world needs skilled workmen in all the departments of society. In the pew and in the pulpit there is a demand for the most intelligent form of service. The Church must respond to this call, and we thank God she is doing that. She will not leave to secular hands this grand work. She will not let her boys and girls come under the dark shadow of Godless colleges. Holy men, of large heart and brain, are to be the custodians and instructors of her youth.

The more Bible in the college the less need of fighting Agnosticism, Materialism, or any other form of Godlessness in the pulpit or the papers.

The people in the bonds of our own work are singularly blessed with the means of sanctified culture. The University at Delaware, Alleghany College, Mt. Union, Scio, Pittsburg Female College, all near us in adjacent States. The Theological schools at Boston, Madison, Evanston, Greencastle, are well equipped, and rejoicing in continuous prosperity. The limits of our report compel us to give them a commendation less elaborate than they deserve. Their catalogues supply good reading to those who desire to know what they are doing for the evangelization of the world.

In our own State, the West Virginia University has taken a new departure, in adopting co-education. This institution is steadily growing, not only in patronage, but also in the facilities of instruction. There are other changes in this school that promise to add largely to its usefulness.

Wheeling Female College, after a short probation under its present efficient Principal, Dr. Blaisdell, has a most encouraging outlook.

In this school special mention ought to be made of the Art Department, under a graduate of Syracuse, and also of the Music Department, which, together with the other departments, offer strong inducements for patronage.

Of our own Conference Seminary, we report healthy growth in the preliminary work of building. The structure now begins to assume such proportions as to give assurance of excellence and adaptation in its construction and beauty and grace of appearance. The workmanship is superior, and the mode of heating and ventilating will make it one of the most desirable places in the State for study and health. To insure the most possible perfection, the laying of the brick and rock has been deliberate and careful. The plastering will not be attempted till the walls are thoroughly seasoned and the weather most favorable.

In the counties near the place selected for the school there is a large number of our young people who are looking forward with pleasure to the time when the halls of our Seminary will be open. We have reason to believe that in one short year the patronage of the school will reach one hundred or more.

They have graduated at the primary schools, and there being no high schools or academies in all that extensive region, they wait with much impatience lest the opportunity of securing a more liberal education may not be presented before it is too late.

We regret to say the financial condition of the enterprise calls for renewed efforts to get the Institution entirely out

of debt. Bonds, to the amount of \$15,000, have been issued and readily sold, the necessary lien on the property having been given to secure their payment. This entails an annual interest of \$900, which must be promptly paid.

The Trustees have secured the services of Rev. R. H. Hughes, conditioned upon his appointment by the Bishop, as a Financial Agent. We cordially commend the Agent to all the friends of education of whom he may solicit contributions.

It is necessary for the Conference to appoint a list of persons from whom the Trustees may select to fill vacancies that may occur in the Board. We therefore recommend the following appointments :

Ministers—R. H. Hughes, C. Poling, A. Mick, W. W. Kelly, G. Rogers, W. J. Sharpes, J. W. W. Bolton, C. H. Lakin.

Laymen—E. S. Withers, Charles. W. Lynch, Pare B. Boggess, Samuel A. Steele, Ami Martin, Daniel Baker, B. F. Swisher.

We recommend also the passage of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That we will select the last Sunday of November, 1889, on which to make special efforts to arouse interest on behalf of our proposed school, by adopting such methods as will secure large contributions to this cause.

Resolved, That we will co-operate hospitably with the Agent and endeavor to open his way to the hearts and pockets of our people.

Resolved, That we will present, as soon after Conference as possible, the claims of this school to all of our Sabbath Schools, and request from each of the children a contribution of one dime, to be called the Sabbath School Scholars' Offering.

We recommend the following appointments :

ALLEGHANY COLLEGE.

Board of Control—Hon. A. M. Poundstone, Hon. Samuel Woods, Rev. L. H. Jordan and Rev. W. R. White.

Visiting Committee—Rev. J. H. Hess and J. C. Bardall.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Trustee—George E. Hite.

Visiting Committee—Rev. J. W. Fullerton,, Rev. W. W. King.

MT. UNION COLLEGE.

C. B. Graham, G. W. Atkinson, A. L. Wade.

Visiting Committee—F. N. Lynch, W. G. Riheldaffer.

BEAVER FEMALE COLLEGE.

Visitors—L. L. Stewart, Dr. C. W. Cushing.

WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE.

Visitors—G. W. Kepler, E. H. Orwen.

PITTSBURG FEMALE COLLEGE.

M. F. Dryden, B. Ison.

SCIO COLLEGE.

S. Ernest Jones, C. S. Allemong.

W. R. WHITE, *Chairman*.

Resolved, That we urge our people not to be deluded by the too prevalent opinion that their daughters can receive a more thorough or accomplished education in any Roman Catholic school than can be secured in our own schools. We are certain that this opinion, however prevalent is false; and we plead with our people not to be ensnared in this trap of a most dangerous enemy.

C. W. CUSHING,
C. B. GRAHAM.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Committee to which was assigned the duty of preparing a report voicing the convictions of this body on the Sabbath question, would submit the following, which, in accordance with the instructions given, has been so framed as to place this Conference in harmony with the action of the late General Conference concerning Sabbath observance.

By a comparison of this report with so much of the Episcopal Address as refers to the question under consideration, and that of the Report of the Committee on the State of the Church that pertains to the same question, it will be seen that in this report not only have the same positions been taken, but the identical language been, for the most part, employed.

There is a lamentable disregard of the holy Sabbath all over the land, and the agencies which tend to break it down as a sacred institution are multiplying and becoming more and more powerful. The incoming populations of Continental Europe, with their habits of making the Sabbath a day of amusement; the growth of great corporations, controlling the labor of multitudes, who depend for support on

positions held on condition of working on Sunday; the publication and patronage of Sunday papers in all our large cities, with large circulation throughout the country, together with the lax notions of nominal Christians touching the obligation to observe the day as holy unto the Lord, are the principal causes that render it difficult to keep alive a vigorous sentiment in favor of the sanctity of the day, and to enforce wholesome discipline on the subject in the churches. In the presence of such dangers as now threaten the Sabbath, the Church can do nothing less than bear ringing testimony, and hold unflinchingly the teachings of Holy Writ concerning the sacredness of the holy Sabbath; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That we will use all our influence to discountenance all other than works of necessity and charity on the Lord's day.

2. *Resolved*, That the keeping open of ordinary places of business, the running of railway trains or steamboats for pleasure or traffic, and the publishing and selling of newspapers on Sunday, are in direct violation to the divine command, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." The secularization of the Sabbath, whether for pleasure or business, is a source of moral and physical evil, leading to suffering and discontent on the part of the overworked employes and to debasing excess on the part of pleasure-seekers.

3. *Resolved*, That we commend and will co-operate with those committees and associations, which in several of our States have succeeded in securing wholesome legislation on the subject, and have increased reverence for the Sabbath by having the good laws that already exist wisely and vigorously enforced.

4. *Resolved*, That we approve the proposal to organize a State association in this State, auxiliary to the American Sabbath Union.

5. *Resolved*, That we also approve the suggestion that a convention be held for this purpose in the city of Wheeling, October 9, 1889, and appoint Drs. C. W. Cushing and J. A. Fullerton delegates to represent our Conference in said convention.

6. *Resolved*, That we condemn the practice of camp-meetings and Sunday school conventions of our Church keeping open gates and charging admission fee on Sabbath day; and hold that meetings so conducted bring the cause of religion into disrepute, and are therefore not to be attended, or in anywise encouraged by those who are anxious to preserve the sanctity of the Sabbath from the inroads of the spirit of secularizations and desecration that are this moment threatening the very existence of the sacred day.

7. *Resolved*, That we will make it our duty to present this matter to our people, and endeavor as much as in us lies, to inculcate a higher regard for the sanctity of the Sabbath, and a more strict observance of this God-appointed day.

C. B. MEREDITH, *Chairman*.

C. R. SHACKELFORD, *Secretary*.

WHEREAS, There having been a lack of harmony between this Conference and the management of the Moundsville Camp-Meeting, touching Sunday trains; and

WHEREAS, This Conference is anxious to bring about an amicable adjustment of these differences, if such adjustment can be made without the sacrifice of principle; therefore be it

Resolved, As a means of conciliation that, should the gates at the Moundsville Camp be closed promptly and rigidly at 9 o'clock (sun time) on Sunday, and no trains be run to the grounds, other than one early train from the City of Wheeling, and the Association pledges itself, so far as it has any control, to see that no excursion trains are run on Sunday, other than the one mentioned; and the regulation of the gates be rigidly enforced, this Conference will consider it no violation of the spirit of the report just offered for members of this Conference to attend and co-operate in the meeting.

Presented by L. L. Stewart.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Conference be authorized to inform the railroad companies concerned, that this Conference earnestly joins with the Moundsville Camp Meeting Association in the request that there be no Sunday excursion trains to the grounds of this Association during the meeting; and, further, should the request of the Association be refused, this Conference, in order to be consistent with itself, with the action of the General Conference, and with the word of God, cannot attend the Camp Meeting.

J. A. FULLERTON,
J. M. WARDEN.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The use of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, is fraught with evil of no ordinary magnitude, destroying health and happiness in this life, and the soul in the world to come. It is an evil that confronts and impedes the Gospel in its triumphs, both at home and abroad. And it is the duty of the Church to preach temperance as well as righteousness and of judgment to come; therefore, as a Conference, we are morally bound to protest against this terrible crime, and to labor for its utter destruction, by bringing into active and persistent work the members of our churches and congregations. With this end in view we present the following resolutions for adoption:

1st. The only sure remedy for this tremendous evil is the entire prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Therefore we are uncompromisingly opposed to licensing it in any form, and for any price.

2d. Where we cannot obtain State prohibition, we are in favor of local option, and will work through municipalities, districts and counties, up to State prohibition, and from this up to National Prohibition, thus securing the universal extermination of the entire liquor traffic.

3d. We pledge ourselves, so far as practicable, to organize at each appointment in our respective charges a Temperance League, for the purpose of securing the enforcement of all temperance laws now upon our statute books, and looking to the suppression of the traffic;

and that such League hold at least one public meeting, each quarter, in the community where it exists, and one meeting annually in each county, to be composed of delegates from the Leagues within its bounds.

4th. We recommend the following persons as officers of a Central or Conference League, whose duty it shall be to look after the interests of this organization for the ensuing year, and under whose direction our Conference Temperance Anniversaries shall be held, viz: A. B. Rohrbough, President; B. B. Evans, Vice-President; W. W. King, Secretary; J. L. Clark, Treasurer.

5th. We are not unmindful of the great help our cause has received from the various temperance organizations that have taken part with us in our struggle, and we extend to them a hearty Godspeed in their work "preventive, educational, evangelical, social and legal," such as has been accomplished by the W. C. T. U.

6th. Finally, let us all "walk by the same rule, and mind the same things," re-affirming as our platform the following from our book of Discipline, viz: "Voluntary total abstinence from all intoxicants as the true ground of personal temperance, and complete legal prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating drinks as the duty of civil government." And while we do not presume to dictate to our people as to their political affiliations, we do express the opinion that they should not permit themselves to be controlled by party organizations managed in the interests of the liquor traffic.

A. B. ROHRBOUGH, *Chairman.*

S. D. TAMBLYN, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society is the chief source of supplying not only our American people with the word of God, but also many foreign countries; and

WHEREAS, A knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures is indispensable in bringing men to a knowledge of their true condition, both morally and spiritually, and without which knowledge there can be no alarm, and consequently no seeking for nor obtaining salvation; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we as Christian ministers express ourselves as in hearty sympathy with every proper effort of the Society in publishing and disseminating the Sacred Scriptures throughout all lands and in all necessary dialects.

Resolved, 2d, That we as pastors will give this most worthy cause due consideration in presenting its claims to our congregations and in raising funds for its support and perpetuation.

Resolved, 3d, That we will use our influence to have all our Sunday schools well supplied with the Sacred Scriptures.

Resolved, 4th, That the Rev. Thomas Cotton, our State Agent for the American Bible Society, has our hearty sympathy in his unceas-

ing effort to supply all the people of his allotted territory with the word of God, and that we will assist him, as far as practicable, in this very important work.

[Signed]

J. W. GRIFFITTS, *Chairman*.

B. F. ROGERS, *Secretary*.

PARSONAGES AND FURNITURE.

Your Committee on Parsonages and Furniture report as follows:

WHEREAS, We, as a Conference, from year to year, have adopted resolutions to urge, more faithfully, our people to provide parsonages for the Pastors and Presiding Elders, but still find existing a great deficiency in this respect; and

WHEREAS, The statistical reports still show that sixty charges and all the Districts are without parsonages; therefore,

Resolved, That a renewed and more determined effort be put forth during the coming year than ever before on this important line of church work.

N. H. PRINCE, *Chairman*.

D. S. HAMMOND, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

The Board of Stewards met and examined the reports from the several districts and charges, and report the following amounts received for Conference claimants, viz:

From Wheeling District.....	\$664 64
“ Parkersburg “	193 00
“ Morgantown “	186 00
“ Buckhannon “	164 00
“ Oakland “	143 00
“ Clarksburg “	140 00
“ Charleston “	72 00
“ Guandotte “	59 00
“ New River “	25 00
Total amount from Districts.....	\$1,646 64
Received from dividend from Book Concern.....	1,098 00
“ from Charted Fund.....	30 00
“ Interest on Permanent Fund	253 30
Add, to Balance.....	06
Total Receipts	\$3,028 00

TO WHOM PAID.

To Widow Blundon.....	\$10 00	Paid to.....	Asbury Mick.
“ “ Richmond	40 00	“	D. A. Denton.
“ “ Burns	20 00	“	S. Ernest Jones.
“ “ Irwin.....	100 00	“	Dr. J. W. W. Bolton.

" Children Wid. Hartley	200 00	Paid to.....D. S. Hammond.
" Widow Monroe.....	100 00	"Dr. A. J. Lyda.
" " Battelle.....	28 00	" Secretary.
" " Weaver.....	150 00	" Secretary.
" " Young.....	200 00	"N. H. Prince.
" " Parriot.....	150 00	" S. Earnest Jones.
" " Heaston.....	100 00	" Secretary.
" " Steele.....	200 00	"L. H. Jordon.
" " Laughlin.....	20 00	" W. J. Sharpes.
" " Heatherly.....	10 00	"B. Darlington.
" " Conner.....	75 00	"L. L. Stewart.
" " Kurtz.....	50 00	"C. H. Lakin.
" " Ryan.....	100 00	"J. M. Warden.
" Rev. J. J. Dolliver.....	25 00	" Secretary.
" " B. Hager.....	100 00	" Self.
" " R. L. Brooks.....	100 00	"B. B. Brooks.
" " D. S. Benedum.....	90 00	"T. H. Clark.
" " W. Wriston.....	40 00	"J. G. Fugate.
" " Geo. Crossfield....	20 00	"Dr. Fullerton.
" " R. Northcraft.....	160 00	" Self.
" " J. T. Carroll.....	100 00	"A. Mick.
" " R. M. Wallace.....	160 00	"W. E. Lovett.
" " Asbury Stevens..	75 00	"J. F. Chenoweth.
" " T. H. Trainer.....	160 00	"J. W. Chedester.
" " J. L. Clark.....	160 00	" Self.
" O. B. Hughes, son of		
Rev. F. M. Hughes..	10 00	"S. Earnest Jones.
" Son of Widow Hughes	10 00	"L. H. Jordon.
" Rev. John Conwell.....	100 00	"J. F. Chenoweth.
" " VanlindenSanford	15 00	"W. D. Sanford.
" " R. Brooks.....	40 00	"M. W. Rider.
" " G. W. Metheny...	20 00	" Self.
" " B. Darlington.....	20 00	" Self.
" " J. W. Webb.....	10 00	" Self.
" " D. W. Smith.....	10 00	"J. G. Fugate.
" " A. A. Nichols.....	10 00	" Self.
" " G. W. Marston...	15 00	"M. W. Rider.
" " Taylor Richmond	25 00	" Self.

\$3,028 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. WILLIAMS, *President.*

B. F. MARTIN, *Secretary.*



Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, West Virginia Conference Division, by Mrs. F. Heermans, Conference Secretary, Kingwood, W. Va.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 1889.

Wheeling District.—Mrs. S. E. Moore, Secretary, Moundsville (P. O.,) W. Va.

Fourth Street (including "Thoburn Auxiliary").....	\$ 208 71
Zane Street.....	33 25
Wesley Chapel.....	24 10
Thompson Church (including "Sumner Band").....	75 53
Triadelphia.....	44 00
Moundsville Auxiliary.....	100 31
Moundsville "King's Daughters".....	50 34
McLean's Chapel.....	56 00
Benwood ("Fear Not Band").....	7 85
Cameron.....	2 50
"Butler Band," Wheeling.....	3 56

Total for Wheeling District.....\$ 606 15

Morgantown District.—Mrs. F. Heermans, Secretary, Kingwood, W. Va.

Morgantown.....	\$ 13 00
Kingwood (including "Busy Bees").....	77 06
Grafton.....	38 50
Palatine.....	18 06
Arnettsville.....	10 50
Laurel Point.....	13 00
Masontown.....	1 25
Miss Jennie Startzman and some of her friends.....	6 50
Albrightsville (in Oakland District, which is not organized,)..	26 71

Total for Morgantown District.....\$ 204 58

Parkersburg District.—Mrs. A. E. Baldwin, Secretary, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Parkersburg—Total.....\$ 77 25

Guyandotte District.—No Secretary; District not organized.

Huntington—Total.....\$ 52 50

Collections at Conference last year (1888,) not received in time to go into last year's report.

Collection at Conference.....	\$ 14 00
Conference envelopes.....	21 50

Total from Conference.....\$ 35 50

RECAPITULATION.

From Wheeling District.....	\$ 606 15
“ Morgantown District.....	204 58
“ Parkersburg District.....	77 25
“ Guyandotte District.....	52 50
“ Conference	35 50

Total for West Virginia Conference Division.....\$ 975 98

Increase over 1888, \$76.19.

Above amount, \$975.98, has been remitted to Mrs. W. B. Davis, Branch Treasurer, Cincinnati, in several different amounts, for which I hold her receipts.

MRS. F. HEERMANS,

Secretary and Treasurer W. Va. Conference Division.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Belington	\$ 35 00
Beverly	45 00
Canaan.....	40 00
East Buckhannon.....	40 00
Freemansburgh	20 00
Webster	30 00
Mingo.....	60 00
Helvetia.....	60 00
Barbour.....	51 00
South Buckhannon.....	40 00
	\$ 421 00

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Worthington.....	\$ 50 00
Pine Grove.....	50 00
Marion.....	70 00
Salem.....	50 00
Farmington	40 00
Logansport	40 00
Smithton.....	50 00
	\$ 350 00

GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.

District... ..	\$ 250 00
Guyandotte	90 00
Winfield	75 00
Hamlin	70 00
Cassville.....	120 00
Monticello.....	100 00
Milton	100 00
St. Albans.....	100 00
Fairfields.....	70 00
Ceredo	65 00

East Hamlin.....	20 00
Coal River.....	40 00

\$1,100 00

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

District.....	\$ 166 00
Ripley.....	100 00
Fisher's Point.....	100 00
Raymond City.....	50 00
East Charleston.....	50 00
Walton.....	50 00
Calhoun.....	50 00
Danaville.....	50 00
Jackson.....	50 00

\$ 666 00

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Littleton.....	\$ 90 00
Palatine.....	50 00
Tunnelton.....	90 00
Masontown.....	70 00
Mt. Zion.....	22 00

\$ 322 00

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Terra Alta.....	\$ 50 00
Aurora.....	40 00
Cranesville.....	40 00
Deer Park.....	110 00
Hambleton.....	50 00
Hannahsville.....	100 00
Rowlesburg.....	50 00
Randolph Mission.....	60 00

\$ 500 00

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Van Camp.....	\$ 50 00
Mt. Pleasant.....	50 00
Volcano.....	50 00
Riverside.....	50 00
Kanawha.....	40 00
Elizabeth Circuit.....	40 00
Belmont and Waverly.....	40 00

\$ 320 00

WHEELING DISTRICT.

New Martinsville.....	\$ 80 00
New Martinsville Circuit.....	75 00
Fulton.....	50 00
Pleasant Valley.....	50 00

\$ 255 00

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

District.....	£s	200	00
Raleigh		25	00
Pleasant Retreat.....		25	00
Flat Top.....		65	00
Concord.....		100	00
Clay.....		65	00
Fayette.....		50	00
Hirshman.....		80	00
Boone.....		50	00
Oceana.....		60	00
Ophelia		60	00
Hinton.....		100	00
Blue Stone.....		186	00
	£s	1,066	00

Total.....	\$5,000 00
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J. A. FULLERTON, *President.*

J. F. CHENOWETH, *Secretary.*

I approve the above appropriations.

I. W. JOYCE,

TREASURER'S REPORT.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS FOR 1889.

RECAPITULATION.

[illegible]

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

CONFERENCE MINUTES.

RECEIPTS.

Cash over from last year.....	\$152 94
Net from preachers and advertisements.....	297 88
Collection at Conference.....	11 55
Total.....	\$462 37

EXPENSES.

Secretary's expenses during the year, Conference envelopes, mailing, expressage, &c	\$ 17 25
For Minutes, printing, mailing, expressage, &c.....	300 91
Paid B. F. Martin, Treasurer of Conference Seminary,	16 66
Total.....	\$334 82
Balance in Secretary's hands.....	\$127 55

Report of the Committee on Freedmans' Aid and Southern Educational Society.

The Methodist Episcopal Church was among the first to provide educational advantages for the Freedman. We, your Committee, recognizing the importance of this work, rejoice in the increased usefulness of the Society, and the interest and liberality manifested by our people in this cause.

And recognizing our obligation as ministers of the Gospel to sustain this Society in its noble work for man and humanity, beg leave to offer the following: Therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of this Conference pledge ourselves to faithfully present the claims of the Freedmans' Aid and Southern Educational Society, and urge our people to increased liberality in its behalf.

And further, your Committee desire to acknowledge the generosity of this Society, in donating our annual collections to our own Conference Seminary.

C. S. ALLEMONG, *Chairman.*

C. E. SHAW, *Secretary.*

APPORTIONMENTS OF BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Missionary.	Conference Claimants.	Church Extension.	Episcopacy.	Freedman's Aid.	S. S. Union.	Tracts.
Morgantown.....	\$ 793 00	\$ 354 00	\$ 108 00	\$ 157 00	\$ 107 00	\$ 30 00	\$ 30 00
Wheeling.....	1,751 00	830 00	241 00	219 00	250 00	40 00	40 00
Oakland.....	520 00	240 00	72 00	102 00	80 00	25 00	25 00
Clarksburg.....	793 00	354 00	108 00	151 00	100 00	30 00	30 00
Buckhannon.....	685 00	300 00	90 00	129 00	90 00	25 00	25 00
Parkersburg.....	793 00	354 00	108 00	151 00	170 00	30 00	30 00
Charleston.....	515 00	240 00	72 00	104 00	75 00	20 00	20 00
Guyandotte.....	400 00	180 00	54 00	76 00	48 00	13 00	13 00
New River.....	350 00	150 00	47 00	68 00	43 00	12 00	12 00

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Church is one of the most efficient mediums through which the word of God is promulgated. It is a recognized power in organizing and establishing Churches, Sunday Schools and institutions of learning—a living and effectual instrumentality, under the direction of God and influence of the Holy Spirit, in saving souls. Therefore your Committee would urge each pastor of this Conference, as far as possible, to inform our people on the subject of Missions, by preaching on the subject, circulating tracts, obtaining subscribers to our Missionary periodicals, holding concerts, utilizing every force for the dissemination of Missionary intelligence, that the heart and conscience of the Church may be touched, that she may fulfill her obligation to God in carrying the Gospel to those who sit in darkness. Therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That as pastors we will make an earnest effort to collect our apportionments in full during the incoming Conference year.

2d. That we heartily endorse and recommend the use of our "*Will-ing Worker Cards*" in our Sunday Schools as an efficient method of obtaining Missionary money.

3d. That each Presiding Elder is requested to preach a Missionary Sermon on each pastoral charge in the bounds of his District during the year.

S. J. COTTON, *Chairman*.

C. POLINGG, *Secretary*.

PERIODICALS AND BOOK ACCOUNTS.

Your Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts, after a careful examination of the reports and statements placed in our hands, beg leave to submit the following report:

We are highly gratified with the general advance all along the line of our publishing interests, and we rejoice that the day has come

that the hearts of our worthy Conference Claimants are made glad by the reception of a handsome dividend from this source.

We are also pleased with the increase in the circulation of the Pittsburg *Christian Advocate*, and we urge upon our brethren the importance of putting forth a still more earnest effort for the circulation of this most excellent paper.

W. G. SMITH, *Chairman*.

D. A. FRIEND, *Secretary*.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND TRACTS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts submit the following as their report :

In view of the pressing demand upon these two societies of our Church for a more extended circulation of Sunday school literature and religious tracts, we earnestly recommend that our preachers throughout the bounds of the Conference take a collection and urge our people to give liberally to these benevolences.

R. B. WARD, *Chairman*.

L. H. COFFIELD, *Secretary*.

EDUCATIONAL FUND.

POINT PLEASANT, September 18th, 1889.

According to the order of the Conference at its last session, I loaned to Brothers W. L. McCoy, G. E. Ward, Hough Houston and W. J. Holt each \$100.00, for which they gave their notes with security as approved by Conference.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer*.

PERMANENT FUND.

POINT PLEASANT, September 18th, 1889.

Since the last report no change has taken place in the Permanent Fund. The interest on this Fund, amounting to \$253.30, has been paid to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer*.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL FUNDS.

Your Committee recommend that George E. Fisher, Parson B. Cuppett, and Wm. J. Holt be granted a loan of one hundred dollars each, on the presentation of notes with good security.

Respectfully submitted,

B. B. EVANS, *Chairman*.

A. S. ARNETT, *Secretary*.

COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE JOURNALS.

We, your Committee on District Conference Journals, wish to make the following report :

These Journals, so far as they have come into our hands, viz : from Buckhannon District, have been examined, and found to be substantially correct.

S. P. CRUMMETT,
J. P. MCCORMICK,
A. S. SMITH.

ON PRESIDING ELDERS' ACCOUNTS.

Your Committee have examined the accounts of Presiding Elders, and find them *received* and *correct*.

A. S. ARNETT, *Chairman*.

WM. J. HARNES, *Secretary*.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That, at our next Annual Conference, the Committees of Examination be required to meet the classes at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the day preceding Conference.

A. J. FULLERTON,
J. M. WARDEN.

WHEREAS, Brothers S. B. D. Prickett, C. F. Bollinger, J. P. McCormick, A. W. Lowther, W. P. Weekly, Daniel Cool and Lewis E. Resseger have been transferred from this to other Conferences, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we regard them as worthy of the confidence of those with whom they may be associated in their new fields of labor, and pray the blessing of Almighty God to attend them in the future as in the past, and much more abundantly.

E. H. OSWEN,
M. W. RIDER,
J. A. FULLERTON,
J. M. WARDEN,
S. ERNEST JONES.

WHEREAS, The presence of Bishop Joyce, in his first visit to our Conference, has been to us a pleasure, and as we believe a blessing; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we will unite our prayers in his behalf, that the Great Head of the Church may multiply his usefulness an hundred fold, and that we will welcome him to our midst, and trust his visits to this Conference may be frequent.

D. L. ASH,
G. E. HITE,
L. L. STEWART.

Resolved, That the thanks of Conference be tendered the county officials of Mason county, for their courtesies in granting the use of the Court House.

A. B. GRAHAM,
J. F. CHENOWETH.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be tendered the several railroads that have extended favors in excursion rates to persons attending this Conference.

C. B. GRAHAM,
W. WIRT KING,
D. S. HAMMOND.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to the people of Point Pleasant, for their kindness in entertaining us, and for the efforts they have made to make our stay among them pleasant, and to our brother Dr. A. J. Lyda, for his particular care in looking after our comfort.

W. WIRT KING,
C. B. GRAHAM,
D. S. HAMMOND,
W. G. RHELDATFER.

DIRECTORY.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
S. R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro	Ritchie	W. Va.	Ellenboro.
S. Hitchens	Morgantown	Monongalia	"	Morgantown.
R. L. Woodyard	Parkersburg	Wood	"	Valley Mills.
L. D. Haines	Rock Cave	Upshur	"	Frenchton.
W. R. White	Fairmont	Marion	"	Fairmont.
Benj. Ison	Oakland	Garrett	Md.	Oakland.
G. W. Marston.....	St. Albans	Kanawha	W. Va.	St. Albans.
C. J. Trippett .....	.....	.....	.....	.....

SUPERANNUATED.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH.
D. S. Benedum.....	Cherry Camp	Harrison	W. Va.	Cherry Camp.
John Birkett	Holton .....	.....	Kansas.	Holton.
Robert Brooks	St. Albans	Kanawha	W. Va.	St. Albans.
R. L. Brooks	Selbyville	Upshur	"	Canaan.
George Crossfield	Berkeley Spr'gs	Morgan	"	Berkeley Sp'gs.
J. T. Carroll	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Coal River.
J. J. Dolliver.....	Ft. Dodge	Webster	Iowa.	Fort Dodge.
Benj. Hagar	Charleston	Kanawha	W. Va.	Charleston.
L. E. Leslie	Oak Hill	Fayette	"	Fayette.
D. A. McGinnis	Mole Hill	Ritchie	"	Centreville.
M. McNeel	Smithville	"	"	Smithville.
R. Northcraft	Smithville	"	"	Smithville.
J. P. Pinchen	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford.
John W. Reger	Buckhannon	Upshur	"	Buckhannon.
V. Sanford	Charleston	Kanawha	"	Charleston.
H. Scott	Malden	"	"	Malden.
A. Stevens	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine.
T. H. Trainer	Duke	Monongalia	"	Monongalia.
Wm. Wriston	Mossey	Fayette	"	Fayette.
J. A. Williams	West Milford	Harrison	"	West Milford.
R. M. Wallace	Clarksburg	"	"	Clarksburg.
J. L. Clark	Parkersburg	Wood	"	Parkersburg.
John Conwell	Palatine	Marion	"	Palatine.
H. H. Miles .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. D. Carrico	Palatine	Marion	W. Va.	Palatine.
J. W. Webb	Hamlin	Lincoln	"	Hamlin.
D. W. Smith	Malden	Kanawha	"	Malden.

WIDOWS WHO ARE CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

No.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns.....	Troy	Miami	Ohio.
2	Maria L. Battelle.....	Covington	Kenton	Kentucky.
3	Ellen Irwin	Fairmont	Marion	West Va.
4	Sarah F. Blundon	Charleston	Kanawha	"
5	Eliza J. Richmond	Dallas	Marshall	"
6	Selina Monroe	Point Pleasant	Mason	"
7	Laura Heatherly	Round Bottom	Wayne	"
8	Sidney Weaver	Bridgeton	Cum'land	New Jersey.
9	Jane Parriott	Cameron	Marshall	West Va.
10	Elmonah Young	French Creek	Upshur	"
11	Mary C. Heaston	Connotton	Harrison	Ohio.
12	Sadie E. Beckley	Falls	Wayne	West Va.
13	Mrs. J. S. Laughlin	Deer Park	Garrett	Maryland.
14	Victoria Steele	Buckhannon	Upshur	West Va.
15	Margaret Conner	Moundsville	Marshall	"
16	Annie McKurtz.....	Cleveland	Cuyahoga	Ohio.
17	Adeline Ryan.....	Walton	Roane	West Va.

Progressive Growth of the West Virginia Conference.

YEARS.	No. of Members of the Conference and on trial.	No. of Church Members and Probationers.	Number of Churches.	Value of Churches.	Number of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. of Officers & Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Missionary Collections.	For Conference Claimants.	For Church Extension.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Ministerial Support.	Average Salary Paid Preachers.
2d Session, October, 1849.....	53	14,278	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	1,151	5,064	\$ 663 00	\$ 92 00	.....	\$	5,030 00	\$ 110 00
3d " June, 1850.....	54	14,201	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	811 00	96 00	.....	.....	5,145 00	138 00
4th " June, 1851.....	64	15,191	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,011 00	134 00	.....	.....	9,690 00	167 00
5th " June, 1852.....	72	16,780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,962 00	129 00	.....	.....	13,787 00	181 00
6th " June, 1853.....	81	18,325	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,694 00	190 00	.....	.....	15,864 00	217 00
7th " May, 1854.....	89	18,600	.....	.....	.....	.....	222	2,190	9,070	2,455 00	192 00	.....	.....	18,542 00	223 00
8th " May, 1855.....	84	19,249	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,858 00	144 00	.....	.....	19,795 00	230 00
9th " June, 1856.....	86	19,074	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	1,949	9,190	2,458 00	143 00	.....	.....	20,843 00	270 00
10th " April, 1857.....	89	19,426	.....	.....	.....	.....	214	2,031	9,368	.....	140 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
11th " April, 1858.....	100	21,500	244	\$ 153,650 00	27	\$ 14,390 00	201	1,785	8,950	2,280 00	162 00	.....	.....	20,883 00	257 00
12th " April, 1859.....	101	22,288	282	171,751 00	28	15,103 00	256	2,162	11,833	2,039 00	187 00	.....	.....	21,544 00	256 00
13th " March, 1860.....	100	22,551	286	183,270 00	29	14,308 00	275	2,520	11,533	1,735 00	167 00	.....	.....	22,799 00	227 00
14th " March, 1861.....	94	21,985	290	177,495 00	28	13,875 00	259	2,598	11,241	1,348 00	99 00	.....	.....	24,048 00	258 00
15th " March, 1862.....	85	16,750	229	162,475 00	22	13,000 00	137	1,308	6,276	1,220 00	69 00	.....	.....	14,371 00	205 00
16th " March, 1863.....	84	14,122	219	157,060 00	26	14,225 00	154	1,517	7,080	2,394 00	133 00	.....	.....	17,284 00	270 00
17th " March, 1864.....	84	15,207	220	175,510 00	26	13,975 00	175	1,824	8,747	3,571 00	34 00	.....	.....	19,063 00	340 00
18th " March, 1865.....	92	14,955	214	195,000 00	27	20,800 00	189	1,808	9,223	3,595 00	968 00	.....	.....	24,395 00	406 00
19th " March, 1866.....	86	20,513	252	206,000 00	28	26,855 00	225	2,211	11,600	4,100 00	891 00	.....	.....	29,294 00	406 00
20th " March, 1867.....	89	27,004	253	234,925 00	33	18,180 00	306	2,876	16,321	2,507 00	584 00	.....	.....	39,972 00	487 00
21st " March, 1868.....	99	28,201	280	362,225 00	32	36,050 00	389	3,450	18,162	2,828 00	918 00	.....	.....	48,897 00	474 00
22d " March, 1869.....	101	25,288	280	350,035 00	33	41,190 00	379	3,679	18,532	3,027 00	805 00	\$27 00	.....	47,343 00	557 00
23d " March, 1870.....	104	28,111	293	386,330 00	35	47,850 00	357	3,256	17,801	3,204 00	905 00	50 00	\$51 00	47,807 00	556 00
24th " March, 1871.....	122	28,332	316	398,350 00	35	48,850 00	369	3,393	18,871	3,207 00	841 00	69 00	.....	57,184 00	530 00
25th " March, 1872.....	135	29,115	336	451,988 00	34	49,795 00	383	3,515	18,523	3,344 00	921 00	427 00	43 00	61,122 00	541 00
26th " March, 1873.....	145	27,167	336	474,950 00	36	46,525 00	384	3,357	18,183	3,135 00	726 00	193 00	35 00	66,164 00	587 00
27th " March, 1874.....	160	28,855	365	530,825 00	43	48,600 00	355	3,451	18,959	3,395 00	816 00	186 00	81 00	60,312 00	511 00
28th " March, 1875.....	159	31,413	365	543,155 00	49	62,300 00	428	3,874	21,112	3,659 00	1,021 00	218 00	101 00	70,723 00	561 00
29th " March, 1876.....	149	34,178	377	579,575 00	52	64,550 00	469	3,977	22,985	3,322 00	969 00	197 00	105 00	69,698 00	580 00
30th " March, 1877.....	150	33,338	369	492,750 00	50	65,300 00	473	3,743	22,350	3,527 00	765 00	169 00	89 00	61,598 00	513 00
31st " *October, 1877.....	155	30,819	373	555,500 00	54	97,040 00	458	3,873	23,446	1,992 00	642 00	176 00	153 00	28,897 00	229 00
32d " October, 1878.....	155	32,71	374	561,750 00	56	60,270 00	446	3,904	22,251	2,367 00	827 00	234 00	209 00	55,890 00	437 00
33d " October, 1879.....	157	32,157	384	515,450 00	57	60,850 00	461	3,920	24,778	2,519 00	994 00	221 00	173 00	53,390 00	430 00
34th " October, 1880.....	153	33,330	394	551,310 00	59	59,350 00	486	4,661	26,125	2,779 00	1,090 00	281 00	201 00	57,500 00	504 00
35th " October, 1881.....	156	33,067	414	575,250 00	61	70,276 00	486	4,229	26,143	3,026 00	1,532 00	301 00	211 00	60,549 00	438 00
36th " October, 1882.....	163	34,051	417	573,630 00	63	74,070 00	450	4,066	22,221	3,314 00	1,878 00	319 00	283 00	63,323 00	453 00
37th " October, 1883.....	169	34,325	437	578,000 00	66	88,775 00	498	4,452	26,768	3,585 00	1,930 00	319 00	263 00	63,534 00	430 00
38th " October, 1884.....	166	34,640	445	615,418 00	70	81,075 00	515	4,643	27,767	3,368 00	1,825 00	300 00	255 00	66,291 00	459 00
39th " Sept., 1885.....	162	35,530	452	631,335 00	74	85,175 00	507	4,546	27,882	3,199 00	1,559 00	309 00	272 00	62,924 00	425 00
40th " Sept., 1886.....	164	38,091	454	645,840 00	73	84,730 00	523	4,571	28,619	3,531 00	1,833 00	323 00	292 00	68,048 00	423 00
41st " October, 1887.....	166	39,073	475	687,550 00	79	92,820 00	564	4,917	31,655	4,322 00	1,943 00	356 00	300 00	71,593 00	457 00
42d " Sept., 1888.....	174	40,175	492	688,190 00	86	86,190 00	682	4,889	32,862	4,663 00	1,991 00	416 00	374 00	69,181 00	416 00
43d " Sept., 1889.....	186	41,992	510	779,060 00	94	105,150 00	611	5,009	34,011	5,121 00	3,028 00	496 00	405 00	76,483 00	425 00

*N. B.—This Conference year embraced but six months, the time of meeting being changed from Spring to Fall.

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Allemong, C. S.	1844	Virginia	19	Physician	1871	1873	West Va.	1871	1873	1875		On Trial	19			Effective.	
Ash, D. I.	1855	"	19	Farmer	1878	1880	"	1878	1880	1882		"	20			Effective.	
Baumgardner, N. L.	1842	Maryland	19	"	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874		"	20			"	
Bolton, J. W. W.	1834	Virginia	19	Teacher	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861		"	26	1		"	
Brooks, R.	1810	"	22	"												Superannuated.	
Brooks, R.	1810	"	22	Carpenter	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848			By Division	17			"	
Birkett, John	1818	England	19	Farmer	1845	1847	Pittsburg	1848	1847	1849		When organized by div'n	7			"	
Carter, George L.	1850	Virginia	18	"	1880	"	"	1887	1881			On Credentials	22			Effective.	
Carrioo, W. D.	1822	"	14	"	1866	1873	West Va.	1866	1863	1873		On Trial	22			Superannuated.	
Carroll, J. T.	1827	"	16	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1873		"	18			"	
Chenoweth, J. F.	1849	"	18	"	1871	1873	"	1871	1873	1875		"	5	17		Effective.	
Cheuvront, W. A.	1850	"	15	"	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877		"	13			"	
Chidester, T. W.	1848	"	20	"	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876		"	5	11		"	
Clark, J. L.	1814	Maryland	6	Merchant	1841	1842	Pittsburg.	1848	1843	1845		Assisted in its organizat'n	12	46		Superannuated.	
Coffield, Levi N	1847	Virginia	11	"	1886	1889	"	1866	1881	1883		On Trial	39			Effective.	
Cotton, T.	1829	England	21	Merchant	1872	1874	Mississipp	1876	1872	1874		On Credentials	16			"	
Cottrill, F.	1860	Virginia	16	Farmer	1881	1883	West Va	1881	1883	1885		On Trial	8			"	
Crossfield, G.	1821	England	18	Merchant	1849	1852	Niagara.	1872	1849	1852		Transfer	2	6	31	1 Superannuated.	
Curtis, A. L	1854	Virginia	12	Farmer.	1879	"	West Va.	1879	"	1883		On Trial	2	8		Effective.	
Carter, D. F.	1851	"	16	"	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887		"	6			"	
Cox, C. W.	1854	"	16	Teacher	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887		"	6			"	
Cross, Levi	1836	"	16	Farmer	"	"	U. B.	1884	"	1878		On Credentials	13			"	
Darlington, B.	1819	"	16	Mechanic	1859	1861	West Va.	1859	1858	1861		On Trial	30			"	
Davis, J. T.	1837	Pennsylvania	10	Teacher	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1875		"	5			"	
Dolliver, J. J.	1810	New York	26	Merchant	1843	1845	Ohio	1848	1845	1847		Assisted in its organizat'n	1	1	2	39 Superannuated.	
Dryden, M. F.	1856	Maryland	21	Teacher	1881	1883	West Va	1881	1883	1885		On Trial	8			Effective.	
Engle, J.	1837	Pennsylvania	10	Book-keeper.	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880		"	13			"	
Eichelberger, J. T.	1838	Virginia	12	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1878		"	13			"	
Feather, J. B.	1833	"	17	Farmer.	1854	1856	"	1854	1856	1858		"	2	13	34	"	

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Ford, F. G. W.	1833	Virginia	20	Farmer	1874	1876	West Va.	1874	1871	1877	On Trial	...	...	...	16	...	Effective.
Fullerton, J. A.	1850	Ireland	17	...	1872	1874	Central Pa	1872	1872	1875	Transfer	...	...	...	4	18	"
Faulkner, T. R.	1844	Kentucky	17	Farmer	1871	1873	...	1871	1873	1875	On Trial	2	...	...	16	...	"
Friend, D. A.	1847	Maryland	18	Teacher	1882	1884	West Va.	1882	1883	1886	"	...	...	...	7	...	"
Graham, C. B.	1850	Virginia	19	Merchant	1879	1881	"	1879	1881	1883	"	...	...	...	10	...	"
Grimes, G. W.	1854	Ohio	22	Teacher	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	1885	"	...	...	...	8	...	"
Galway, T. E.	1851	Pennsylvania	31	R.R. Conduc'r	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887	"	...	...	...	6	...	"
Hammond, D. S.	1850	Virginia	23	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1878	1880	"	...	...	...	13	...	"
Hess, J. H.	1851	Maryland	16	Blacksmith	1875	1877	"	1875	1877	1878	"	...	...	...	15	...	"
Hess, J. W.	1853	Virginia	21	Farmer	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	...	3	...	18	...	"
Hitchens, S.	1840	England	12	"	1860	1862	"	1860	1862	1864	"	...	11	...	17	...	Supernumerary.
Hite, G. E.	1851	Virginia	19	Teacher	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	...	...	...	4	18	Effective.
Hughes, R. H.	1846	"	18	Farmer	1870	1873	"	1878	1873	1882	"	...	...	...	5	18	"
Hunter, W.	1858	"	16	"	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	1885	"	...	...	...	8	...	"
Hennon, W. R.	1857	Pennsylvania	18	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"	...	...	...	7	...	"
Jones, S. E.	1846	England	26	Teacher	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"	...	...	...	2	17	"
Jordan, L. H.	1836	New York	19	"	1868	1870	"	1868	1870	1872	"	...	...	...	2	18	"
Kelley, W. W.	1838	Virginia	14	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"	...	...	...	23	...	"
King, F. H. J.	1834	"	17	Farmer	1857	1859	"	1857	1859	1861	"	...	...	...	4	29	"
Lakin, C. H.	1838	Ohio	20	"	1865	1867	"	1865	1867	1869	"	...	...	...	4	29	"
Lee, Joseph	1847	Ireland	15	Merchant	1873	1875	"	1873	1873	1876	"	...	...	...	4	17	"
Lovett, W. E.	1835	Maryland	19	Lieut. Vol. Cav	1872	1874	"	1872	1873	1876	"	...	...	...	18	...	"
Mahone, B. D.	1849	Virginia	17	Farmer	1876	1878	"	1876	1876	1880	"	...	...	...	13	...	"
Martin, G.	1815	"	16	"	1837	1839	Pittsburg.	1848	1839	1841	When organized by divi'n	...	...	...	16	52	"
Matheny, G. W.	1838	"	15	"	1865	1867	West Va.	1865	1867	1869	On Trial	...	9	...	16	...	"
Meredith, C. B.	1850	"	23	Mechanic	1881	1883	"	1881	1883	1885	"	...	...	...	8	...	"
McGinnis, D. A.	1822	"	17	Teacher	1846	1848	Ohio	1848	1848	1850	When organized by divi'n	...	34	...	9	...	Superannuated.
Mick, A.	1849	"	14	Farmer	1872	1875	West Va.	1872	1875	1877	On Trial	...	...	...	17	...	Effective.
Miles, H. H.	1844	Ohio	18	Marble Cutter	1874	1877	Sciota	1881	...	1877	On Orders	1	...	...	14	...	Superannuated.

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Moore, A.	1861	Virginia	18	Farmer.	1881	1883	West Va...	1881	1883	1885	On Trial	...	...	8	Effective.
Mays, P. C.	1850	West Va	17	"	1882	1884	"	1882	1884	1886	"	...	...	7	"
Nichols, A. A.	1849	"	20	"	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887	"	...	...	10	Superannuated.
Northcraft, R.	1818	Maryland.	14	"	1853	1855	"	1853	1855	1857	"	...	...	25	Effective.
Orwen, E. H.	1839	New York	15	Teacher.	1858	1860	Oneida...	1878	1860	1862	On Credentials	...	...	20	"
Perry, A. D.	1848	Virginia	18	Carpenter.	1874	1876	West Va...	1874	1876	1879	On Trial	...	...	16	"
Pribble, U.	1833	"	20	Teacher.	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1862	"	14	...	17	"
Polling, Cyrus	1850	West Va	23	"	1877	1879	"	1877	1879	1881	"	1	1	10	"
Rexroad, J. C.	1843	Virginia	23	Farmer.	1872	1874	"	1872	1874	1876	"	...	...	17	"
Rider, M. W.	1842	"	9	"	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1870	"	...	...	4	"
Riheldaffer, W. G.	1846	"	17	Mechanic	1874	1876	"	1874	1876	1877	"	...	...	4	"
Rogers, G.	1846	"	10	Farmer.	1866	1868	"	1866	1868	1871	"	...	...	22	"
Roberts, L. W.	1852	"	15	Farmer.	1879	1881	"	1879	1881	1876	On Credentials	...	...	10	"
Rogers, B. F.	1829	"	19	Farmer.	1859	1861	"	1859	1861	1863	On Trial	...	...	18	"
Rohrbough, A. B.	1836	West Va	17	"	1858	1860	"	1858	1860	1872	Transfer.	...	...	15	"
Richmond, Taylor.	1846	Pennsylvania	20	Carpenter.	1884	1886	"	1884	1881	1888	On Trial	...	...	5	"
Scott, H.	1842	Virginia	23	Farmer.	1876	1877	"	1876	1876	1879	"	...	...	5	Superannuated.
Shaw, W. H.	1836	"	14	"	1856	1858	"	1856	1858	1860	"	3	5	20	Effective.
Shackelford, C. R.	1847	Mississippi.	19	"	1876	1877	"	1876	1877	1879	"	...	...	14	"
Sharpes, W. J.	1836	Virginia	17	Teacher.	1869	1871	"	1869	1871	1873	"	...	...	18	"
Sharp, J. N.	1856	Pennsylvania	13	Farmer.	1879	1881	Virginia...	1887	1881	1884	Transfer.	...	...	10	"
Stevens, A. L.	1819	Virginia	16	Teacher.	1848	1850	West Va...	1848	1850	1852	On Trial	...	...	24	Superannuated.
Stewart, L. L.	1845	Pennsylvania	16	Farmer.	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"	...	...	4	Effective.
Skidmore, E. R.	1859	West Va	17	Teacher.	1883	1885	"	1883	1885	1887	"	...	...	6	"
Trainer, T. H.	1820	Virginia	20	Mechanic	1853	1857	"	1853	1855	1857	"	...	...	4	Superannuated.
Trippett, C. J.	1842	"	24	Farmer.	1870	1872	"	1870	1872	1874	"	...	...	19	Superannuated.
Taylor, Marion.	1845	Ohio.	25	Teacher.	1870	1872	M.E.Ch., S.	1884	1872	1874	On Credentials	...	...	13	Effective.
Upton, C. W.	1843	Virginia	18	Merchant	1877	1879	West Va...	1877	1870	1879	On Trial	...	...	13	"
Wallace, R. M.	1817	Pennsylvania	16	Carpenter.	1854	...	"	1854	...	...	"	31	4	35	Superannuated.

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Warman, C.....	1844	Virginia.....	7	Teacher.....	1875	1877	West Va.....	1875	1874	1878		On Trial.....			15		Effective.	
Warden, J. M.....	1833	".....	28	Farmer.....	1860	1863	".....	1860	1863	1865		".....			5	29		"
Welch, R. S.....	1821	".....	19	Teacher.....		1855	M.P.C.W.v.a	1856	1857	1859		Rec'd from M. P. Church..				35		"
Webb, J. W.....	1826	".....	15	".....	1854	1856	West Va.....	1854	1856	1858		On Trial.....			8	35		1 Superannuated.
White, W. R.....	1820	Dist. Colum'a	18	".....	1844	1846	Baltimore	1844	1846	1848		Transfer.....			4			Superannuated.
Williams, G. H.....	1844	Virginia.....	25	Farmer.....	1874	1876	West Va.....	1874	1876	1877		On Trial.....			1	15		Effective.
Williams, J. A.....	1816	".....	21	".....	1848	1852	".....	1848	1844	1848		".....						Superannuated.
Woodruff, E. C.....	1844	Pennsylvania	9	Teacher.....	1869	1871	".....	1869	1871	1876		".....			1	19		Effective.
Ward, R. B.....	1860	West Va.....	16	".....	1882	1884	".....	1882	1884	1886		".....						"

NOTE.—Members whose names do not appear, please send Biography to Secretary some time during the year.

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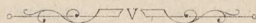
No.	NAME.	PLACE OF DEATH.	DATE OF DEATH.	Conference Relation at Time of Death.	Age.	Years in the Ministry.
1	George Deemer.....	Wayne County, West Virginia.....	October 9, 1851.....	Effective.....	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge.....	Granville, ".....	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burns.....	South Wheeling, ".....	December 25, 1851.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 29, 1855.....	Supernumerary.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, West Va.....	April 8, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, West Va.....	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	2
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, ".....	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	6
8	James A. Young.....	Near Shinnston, ".....	June 17, 1857.....	On Trial.....	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.....	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Jollytown Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood West Va.....	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	1
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, ".....	1868.....	Effective.....	41	7
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumberport, ".....	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, ".....	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	45	6
16	John L. Irwin.....	Fairmont, ".....	April 26, 1871.....	Effective.....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, ".....	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs, ".....	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, ".....	March 16, 1874.....	Effective.....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, ".....	May 3, 1875.....	Effective.....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshall County, ".....	November 29, 1875.....	Supernumerary.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	56	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	March 17, 1878.....	Effective.....	63	28
24	J. G. Blair.....	Fairmont, ".....	December 23, 1878.....	Effective.....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, ".....	September, 13, 1879.....	Effective.....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, ".....	1881.....	Supernumerary.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, West Va.....	March 21, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., West Va.....	December 13, 1882.....	Superannuated.....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	Superannuated.....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, West Va.....	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, ".....	May, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	14
33	David M. Heaston.....	Buckhannon, ".....	November 11, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley.....	Charleston, ".....	October 16, 1885.....	Effective.....	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	March 7, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	41	14
36	Samuel Steele.....	Buckhannon, West Va.....	May 24, 1886.....	Effective.....	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon.....	Near Mountain Cove, West Va.....	February, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin.....	Greene County, Pennsylvania.....	January 17, 1887.....	Superannuated.....	74	40
39	Calvin Conner.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	December 28, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	67	36
40	John C. Kurtz.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	April 16, 1887.....	Effective.....	33	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan.....	Roane County, West Va.....	October 14, 1887.....	Effective.....	54	14
42	John B. West.....	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	Superannuated.....	90	67

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

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..... 90
..... Superannuated
..... May 21, 1889
..... Port of Call



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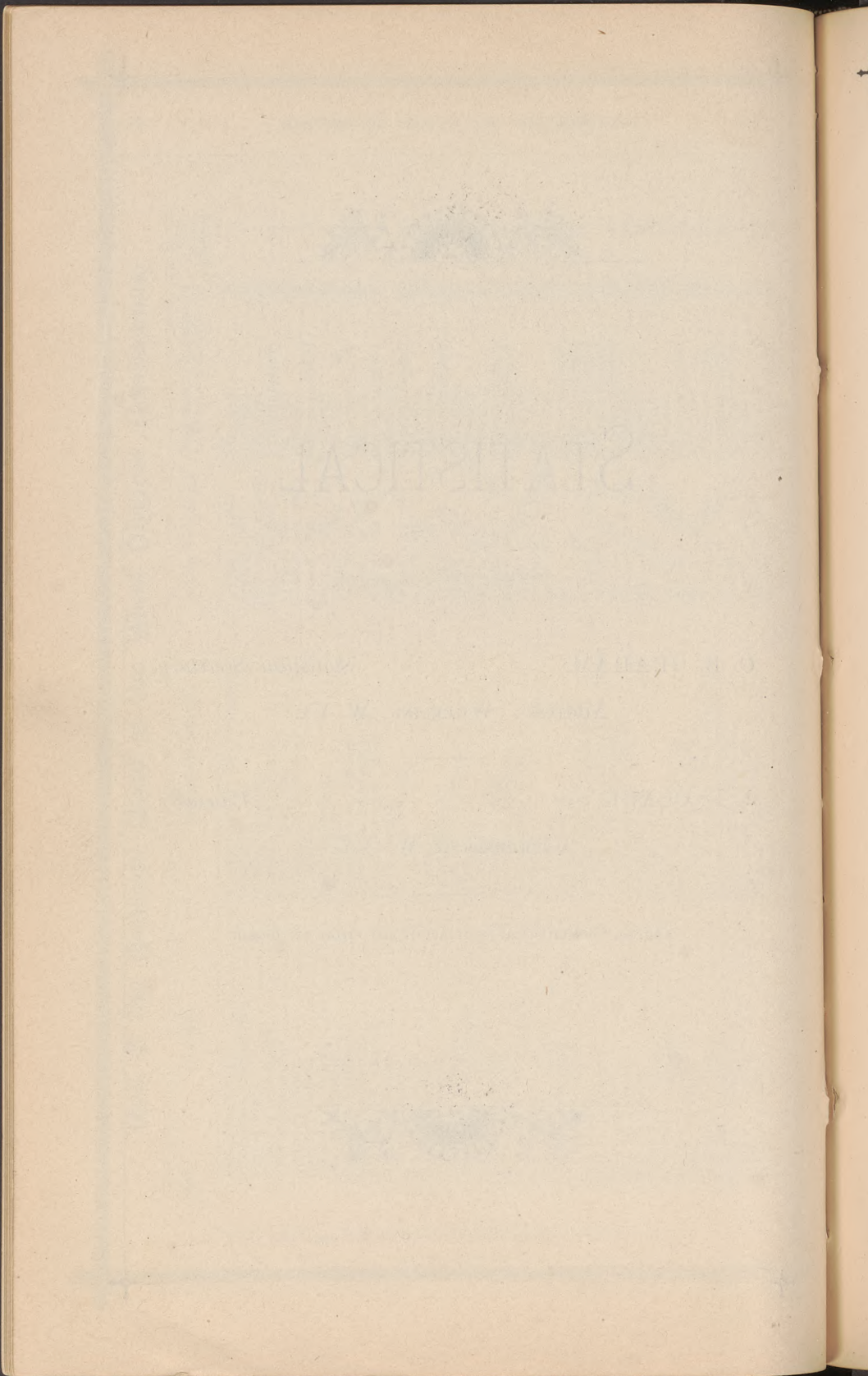
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BUCKHANNON AND CHARLESTON DISTRICTS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.					Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.						S. SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized.		Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.		
					No. Children Baptized.												No. of Adults Bap- tized.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.												Total.	
BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.																																
Belington.....	11	473	2	1	...	20	5	\$3000	...	...	...	...	\$ 10	8	56	504	\$ 17	\$ 11	\$ 18	\$ 3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	325	2	...
Beverly.....	9	298	4	1	...	...	3	1500	1	\$ 1000	\$ 20	...	20	7	50	350	19	12	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	446	6	1	...
Buckhannon.....	27	420	1	...	6	29	8	8000	1	900	30	\$ 15	...	145	1	18	125	64	4	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	619	20	...	
Buckhannon Circuit.....	27	420	1	...	6	29	8	8000	1	900	30	\$ 15	...	35	8	64	400	36	5	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	640	11	...	
Canaan.....	22	437	2	3	1	10	7	3500	1	...	...	...	...	10	40	350	...	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	278	3	...	
East Buckhannon.....	22	363	1	...	...	17	6	4000	1	400	...	...	...	8	61	330	...	5	20	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	308	4	...	
Freemansburg.....	52	272	4	4	4	25	8	5500	1	500	40	15	...	240	6	51	336	9	9	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	376	7	...	
Frenchton.....	27	387	2	...	2	27	6	4000	1	1000	...	...	...	6	63	300	31	6	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	377	5	...	
Gladys.....	6	254	7	7	...	7	...	1800	...	...	...	95	\$ 100	...	7	63	320	6	12	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	257	3	...	
Glenville.....	20	350	2	3	3	15	6	3000	1	1000	500	...	500	20	6	35	370	30	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	473	15	...	
Philippi.....	18	592	4	4	...	37	8	10000	1	1000	200	...	...	150	9	99	600	20	30	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	531	20	...	
South Buckhannon.....	22	304	7	...	...	32	5	3300	1	...	...	...	...	...	6	47	281	40	...	40	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	716	15	...	
Sutton.....	32	550	1	3	30	45	6	6000	1	750	25	...	135	20	12	83	455	29	16	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	76	12	...	
Troy.....	12	484	5	6	4	73	7	6000	1	1000	2075	113	380	...	9	71	594	25	15	40	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	516	6	...	
Webster.....	40	205	...	2	22	5	1	675	1	600	265	65	235	...	5	22	131	8	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	371	2	...	
Weston.....	23	180	...	1	4	27	1	4000	1	3500	300	...	...	73	1	16	160	50	15	65	6	1	2	2	1	6	8	...	805	25	...	
Mingo.....	1	50	...	...	...	1	...	1000	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	40	...	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	2	...	
Total.....	382	5840	35	36	76	348	86	\$71275	11	\$11650	\$ 3455	\$303	\$ 1350	\$713	109	812	5646	\$389	\$159	\$558	\$ 53	\$ 15	\$ 14	\$ 50	\$ 25	\$ 16	1	1	7300	158	11	
CHARLESTON DISTRICT.																																
Calhoun Circuit.....	33	269	5	4	3	23	1	\$ 200	...	...	...	...	350	...	5	30	100	...	5	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	251	...	...	
Charleston.....	6	253	2	6	3	...	1	12000	...	...	...	...	2200	...	1	30	33	29	41	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1226	14	...	
Charleston Circuit.....	38	250	...	3	1	4	3	3000	1	\$ 400	1000	...	...	25	4	39	228	5	5	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	314	5	...	

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NAMES OF CHARGES.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.				Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.							S. SCHOOLS.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.									
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CHARLESTON DIST.—Continued.																																		
Clifton and Mason.....	14	250	2	4	10	14	3	\$ 7500	1	\$ 550	\$ 100				\$ 65	3	29	341	8	2	10	2									575	2		
Danville.....	76	124	4	7		10	1	700							30	3	32	100													430			
East Charleston.....	14	314	4	7		8	1	150								5	37	236																
Hartford City.....	62	225	1	1	12	15	2	2900	1	700	125				67	12	29	200													659	5		
Jackson.....	20	340	2	13	31	4	3300				2100					2	80	375	12	2	2	14	3											
Letart and Leon.....	18	250	4	6	1	11	5	3000			65				60	3	30	250																
Malden.....	5	64	1	3	1	7	1	2000			700				25	1	9	30																
Mill Creek.....	44	157	2	1		23			1	300	225					5	50	260	3	2	5													
Point Pleasant.....	10	124	1	1	15		2	5600	2	4000	1134	1611	3904	76		2	19	140	6	10	16	2												
Ravenswood.....	40	390		3		40	4	3400	1	1200	110				97	6	72	420	26	2	27													
Raymond City.....	10	85	1	1	4	5	1	1500			900					3	20	127	2	1	3													
Reedy.....	25	106		2		2	2	1000			400					4	30	163																
Ripley.....	68	191	1	2	3	6	5	2110			200					4	40	200																
Spencer.....	31	290	3	2		6	6	3900								6	54	215																
Walton.....	22	270		1												1	10	80																
Total.....	522	3952	27	51	66	205	42	\$52260	8	\$ 7850	\$ 6903	1611	\$11920	\$688	65	640	3498	\$156	\$ 76	\$251	\$ 39	\$ 6	\$ 21	48	39	1				6806	72	1		
CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.																																		
Bridgeport.....	66	285	2	2	1	57	6	\$ 3700			\$ 70				\$ 37	6	50	306	\$ 37	8	\$ 45	\$ 4												
Cherry Camp.....	7	268		2		9	5	3000	1	\$ 500					40	6	48	244	19	3	22													
Clarksburg.....	39	189	1	3		4	1	20000	1	2500	6000				105	1	15	185	15	20	35	2	1	1										
Fairmont.....	5	164	1	3		2	1	6500	1	1000						1	14	150	11	23	34	2	1	1										
Farmington.....	2	197		2	1	13	4	4500							30	4	35	150	11	5	16													

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CLARKSBURG AND GUYANDOTTE DISTRICTS.

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																			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
CLARKSBURG DIST.—Cont'd.																																	
Logansport.....	10	250	...	3	...	16	5	\$ 3000	1	\$ 400			\$ 100	\$ 20	4	28	178	\$ 13	...	\$ 15	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	396	4	...
Lumberport.....	47	372	1	7	...	36	6	2500	1	500			...	35	7	56	350	38	\$ 12	50	7	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	518	15	...	
Mannington.....	15	136	4	1	10	17	1	6000	1	1300	\$ 50	330	239	80	1	19	160	23	7	30	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	563	4	...	
Marion.....	3	224	2	3	...	3	6	3600	1	1000		21	38	36	4	38	254	12	10	22	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	454	6	...	
Pine Grove.....	33	266	5	4	...	7	4	2000			25		...	5	31	161	29	29	29	29	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	287	5	...	
Pruntytown.....	10	325	2	9	1	14	4	8200	1	1800	150		...	150	3	42	302	20		20	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	639	6	...	
Quiet Dell.....	80	291	1	1	12	30	4	4300	1	700	500		250	100	4	30	180	25	10	35	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	512	18	...	
Salem.....	10	93	3	3	...	2	1	1225				50		25	1	10		10	7	17	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...					
Smithton.....	48	380	1	1		20	6	2300	1	500					4	35	250	10	25	35									507	7			
West Milford.....	10	225			8	4	2000	1	400		15			25															542	10			
Wilsonburg.....	26	427	2	1		7	9	6700	1	500	280	40	160	65	8	81	409	26	7	33									555	10			
Worthington.....	15	190	1	5		9	6	2000										2											271	5			
Total	426	4282	26	49	15	254	73	\$81525	12	\$11100	\$ 1090	\$455	\$ 799	\$858	59	532	3279	\$321	\$137	\$458	\$ 38	\$ 17	\$ 14	\$ 32	\$ 42	\$ 30		2	2	7665	127	26	
GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.																																	
Cassville.....	78	254	2	6	1	17	2	\$ 300	1	\$ 250	\$ 35	\$ 10	\$ 87		1	56	50	\$ 1	\$ 3	\$ 4										191	1		
Ceredo.....	57	121	1			2	2000	1	1000		40		325		2	17	90	8		8										327	2		
Coal River.....	35	196	4		12	10	1	250	1	250	35	50	150		3	20	125	3	3	6										302	3		
East Hamlin.....																																	
Fairfields.....	9	97	1		7	12	1	2000	1	500		80	157	5	4	24	136	5		5									427	2			
Guyandotte.....	12	101	1		8	1	2600	1	1200		75	130	300	45	2	28	145	8	12	20	4	2								11	12		
Hamlin.....	34	183	4		10	3	1500	1	325			30	75		4	33	240	5		5									208	2			
Huntington.....	12	260	1	2	7	12	1	3000	1	2000	175	130	450	200	1	21	201	30	30	60	7								1034	30			

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GUYANDOTTE AND MORGANTOWN DISTRICTS.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP				Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.						S. SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.								
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																			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.												
GUYANDOTTE DIST.—Cont'd.																																	
Laurel.....	35	44	2	...	...	2	2	400	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	6	23	253	7	5	12	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...
Milton.....	17	205	2	4	...	21	3	3000	...	...	265	...	...	...	2	5	37	155	3	4	7	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	36	4	...		
Monticello.....	36	162	2	5	1	27	3	1000	...	...	90	...	...	...	15	29	6	29	8	2	10	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	232	1	...	
St. Albans.....	3	70	...	4	...	2	2	800	...	...	100	...	...	...	...	5	4	200	7	1	8	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	310	1	...		
Wayne.....	27	290	4	1	1	17	3	2500	1	350	...	...	200	...	...	5	40	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	390	2	...		
Winfield.....	30	125	1	...	...	8	4	2000	1	250	100	...	22	650	3	23	109	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	282	...	...		
Total.....	385	2110	23	26	29	144	28	21350	9	6125	915	400	1721	1009	65	328	1733	85	60	145	17	6	3	15	14	10	53	...	3780	59	12		
MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.																																	
Arnettsville.....	8	294	2	6	...	3	3	2000	1	800	...	...	...	25	5	50	270	16	2	18	3	1	1	3	1	1	7	...	529	2	...		
Blacksville.....	6	339	1	2	...	22	4	3500	1	1000	550	...	120	70	5	49	368	48	10	58	4	1	1	6	14	1	...	621	13	...			
Grafton.....	8	354	...	5	7	17	1	15500	1	1500	314	...	...	200	1	20	235	40	70	110	10	3	3	18	15	10	38	...	1159	41	3		
Halleck.....	2	390	1	2	3	2	6	5000	1	650	10	79	67	36	5	48	390	8	10	18	1	...	...	3	1	...	...	467	5	...			
Jollytown.....	42	510	3	6	2	50	9	10000	1	350	600	...	...	150	9	82	494	40	5	45	4	1	1	5	1	1	1	935	20	5			
Kingwood.....	7	164	...	11	...	3	1	12000	1	3000	...	...	...	125	1	16	175	1	49	50	3	1	1	3	4	12	70	...	855	20	15		
Knottsville.....	9	300	...	5	...	10	5	6000	1	400	125	...	...	40	5	40	280	17	20	37	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	...	608	7	...		
Littleton.....	7	235	5	2	...	9	4	3700	...	...	...	...	...	60	6	58	345	31	10	41	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	458	10	...		
Masontown.....	8	225	1	...	...	1	4	3500	...	600	100	...	100	25	4	25	175	9	1	10	1	...	...	1	3	...	...	579	3	...			
Morgantown.....	9	313	3	4	12	17	7	10000	1	1600	500	...	...	200	1	19	170	47	38	75	5	5	5	5	5	5	...	1007	21	...			
Morgantown Circuit.....	1	297	2	5	...	17	7	5000	...	73	...	...	...	81	5	45	345	14	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	594	8	...		
Monongalia.....	8	350	2	...	...	39	6	3300	...	1360	...	...	...	75	6	57	381	57	8	65	1	1	1	7	4	1	13	...	753	15	...		
Mount Zion.....	10	377	1	3	...	17	5	2200	...	...	...	...	...	7	7	20	130	7	7	7	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	197	2	...			
Palatine.....	13	366	1	2	...	15	5	6500	1	800	...	...	...	100	1	16	150	10	10	20	1	2	2	1	1	1	...	529	8	...			
Tunnelton.....	6	201	2	4	3	9	4	4000	1	750	...	...	200	50	5	41	242	14	8	22	3	1	1	2	2	...	...	581	10	1			
Total.....	142	4715	24	53	36	211	65	92200	11	11450	3632	79	487	1237	66	586	4090	359	249	584	41	15	15	55	50	29	149	4	9862	185	36		

NEW RIVER AND OAKLAND DISTRICTS.

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NEW RIVER DISTRICT.																																		
Blue Stone.....	3	50	2	1	9	1													2		2													
Boone.....	10	135	2	1	2	1	\$	200	1	\$ 200	\$ 100								5		5		2											
Clay.....	30	134	2	1	2	1		300		300						5	15	200	2		2													
Concord.....		50	1	1	1	1		300		300									11		11													
Flk River.....	80	390	5	2	1	6	2		700	1	300	300	35			10	40	300	6		6													
Fayette.....	10	191	4	2	2	5	5		1500	1	400	255	38	170	5		16	120	15	5	20		2											
Flat Top.....	31	156	5	1	1											1	8	40	12	3	15				1	1								
Hinchmans.....	10	176	1	2	1	3	1		3000	2	300	100		50		3	15	100	16		16													
Hinton and Coal Valley.....	4	32	3	1	8										18	2	6	50	5		5													
Mountain Cove.....	16	307	5	3	9	13	2		2100	1	600	25				5	49	300	5	5	10		1											
Nicholas.....	16	435	4	4	8	5			3600	1	200					3	16		10		10		2		1	1	2							
Oceana.....	112	205	5	1	5	9										2	11	100	2		2													
Ophelia.....	49	241	1	1	4	4			2000	1	500	325				5	35	182	16		16													
Pleasant Retreat.....	44	454	9	3	31	2			1200	1	275	35	10													1								
Raleigh.....	12	319	5	2	3	3			2000	1	600								10		10													
Total.....	427	3275	52	22	33	93	28		16900	10	3375	1140	83	220	23	41	211	1392	117	13	130	9	2	3	3	6	1				4377	32	2	
OAKLAND DISTRICT.																																		
Albrightsville.....	25	274	1	3	5	4			4500					65	35	6	50	240	19	6	25			2	2	2	4	4				27		360
Aurora.....	5	209	2	1	2	2			1600	1	475	475			10	6	46	187	22		22						2	2					431	
Brandonville.....	36	588	1	4	25	8			7000	1	400	800	33	56	70	9	60	410	15		15		1										590	
Cranesville.....	36	267	1	3	7	3			3000			1000		200	15	12	80	535	17	2	17		2	1									366	
Davis.....	6	75	1	12	1				2000	1	500	306	100	448	77	1	17	113	31	20	11	2	3	1	3	2	13						711	
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.																																		
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PARKERSBURG AND WHEELING DISTRICTS.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP.					Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.						S. SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized.		No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Soc'y.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.
																			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
PARKERSBURG DIST.—Con'd.																																
Parkersburg.....	18	350	2	4		1	\$45000	1	\$ 6000	\$ 5500			\$277	1	46	570	\$229	\$170	\$460	\$ 30	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$2	\$ 30	13	21	\$ 77		\$ 2010	\$ 90		
Parkersburg Circuit.....	34	504	1	4	2	34	9250	1	1100	123	\$157	.....	73	8	72	563	31	76	107	2	1	1	2	1	1	.....	832	30	.....			
Pleasants.....	2	145	.....	2	.....	17	4 850	.....	.....	.....	20	\$ 60	.....	3	17	95	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	149	3	.....		
Sistersville.....	1	205	1	1	.....	5	5500	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	85	6	53	280	34	6	40	2	.....	.....	1	2	6	.....	543	4	\$ 8			
Shiloh.....	99	354	4	8	.....	19	8 4000	1	400	75	235	.....	.....	6	50	270	15	.....	15	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	468	7	3			
Smithville.....	65	320	4	2	.....	20	7 4500	.....	.....	1600	.....	.....	.....	13	108	450	6	5	11	2	1	1	5	1	.....	331	1	11				
VanCamp.....	22	112	1	3	.....	2	2 1200	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	10	4	15	75	5	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155	1	.....			
Volcano.....	7	212	.....	2	.....	34	3 2500	1	200	1000	.....	.....	100	3	38	170	15	5	20	2	1	1	4	.....	.....	408	10	1				
West Union.....	7	164	5	1	2	7	4 5000	1	1000	1035	35	.....	60	4	40	250	19	6	25	10	.....	.....	.....	4	5	1	.....	505	10	6		
Williamstown.....	.....	104	.....	2	.....	5	1 1800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	1	14	88	6	4	10	2	2	1	2	5	.....	.....	403	5	1			
Total	418	4991	29	50	22	265	82	107100	12	12075	13223	577	990	1040	94	787	5010	472	304	778	69	10	9	28	45	48	77		7513	193	49	
WHEELING DISTRICT.																																
Benwood.....	6	233	2	4	7	6	2	4500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	140	2	30	190	27	8	35	5	2	1	5	10	4	.....	770	12	.....		
Cameron.....	24	281		4	2	6	2	3000	1	2000	2500			85	2	36	217	70	35	105	6	2	2	7	15	6	2		900	20	2	
Dallas.....	6	340	.....	1	9	.....	2	7000	1	800	25	35	.....	65	3	35	250	25	26	51	4	1	1	3	9	.....	.....	757	8	.....		
Fulton.....	2	38		1	3		2	2400			15			35	2	18	140	6	4	10	1								5	13		
Greene.....	.....	267	.....	3	2	.....	15	7 4000	.....	.....	850	.....	.....	75	6	34	225	12	4	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	396	4	.....		
Marshall.....	22	346	3	4	5	33	4	8900	1	1800	1528	.....	.....	102	5	72	445	3	72	75	9	4	4	8	10	.....	797	26	.....			
Moundsville.....	10	475	1	8	10	25	1	10000	.....	800	.....	.....	.....	200	1	36	300	51	104	155	20	4	4	20	25	15	131	1200	60	100		
Moundsville Circuit.....	12	455	1	5	4	23	7	10000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	9	124	627	65	27	92	13	4	4	20	5	2	56	911	35	9		
New Martinsville.....	24	148	1	3	2	14	1	3000						80	1	16	102	20	7	27	1	1	1	2	4	5		548	4			
New Martinsville Circuit.....	6	447	3	1		10	5	3000						40	7	45	418	10		10	1	1	1	1			437	5				

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	MEMBERSHIP				Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.								S. SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.		No. Children Baptized.	No. Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Soc'y.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's H. M. S.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.	
WHEELING DIST.—Con'd.																																	
Pleasant Valley.....	2	330	1	5	4	3	5	\$ 5000	1		\$ 1850				\$ 17	5	42	285	\$ 61	\$ 9	\$ 70	\$ 6				\$ 12					\$ 1000	\$ 15	
Short Creek and Liberty.....	6	198				4	2	1200	1							3	25	150	60	16	76	6				6					820	16	\$14
Triadelphia.....	3	143				2	1	7000	1		2500				70	1	14	130	50	30	80	8				5					688	15	
Chapline Street.....	5	220	1		36	3		8000	1		2000	1000	251		240	1	23	210	52	53	105	25				13					1200	61	
Fourth Street.....	49	454			6			75000	1		12000		1050	\$ 5000	1000	1	36	350	296	364	660	42				10					2832	259	15
North Street.....	16	284			19			8000	1		3500				250	1	31	350	22	25	47	19				3					1065	21	
Thomson Church.....	2	295			3	12	10	15000	1		4000	2500			900	410	1	35	327	60	77	137	20			20					1130	66	
Wesley Chapel.....	2	208			35	22		15000	1						200	1	33	300	4	46	50	2				2					850	17	
Zane Street.....	23	289	1		37	7	1	18000	1		3000	310	105	1300	300	1	31	250	40	30	70	2				1					1078	15	
Total.....	232	5451	14	71	214	184	47	198000	11		33750	8838	1447	7200	3529	53	716	5266	934	937	1871	192		45	45	174	150	96	578	80	17379	664	153

MINUTES OF THE W. VA. CONFERENCE.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				Bap'tms		CHURCH PROPERTY.								S. SCHOOLS.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												Minist'al Support.			
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	Number of Children Baptized.	Number of Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebtedness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sexton, light, fuel, &c.)	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Unions.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect'rs.	
Buckhannon	382	5840	35	36	76	348	86	\$71275	11	\$11650	\$ 3455	\$303	\$ 1350	\$713	109	812	5646	389	159	\$558	\$ 53	15	\$ 14	\$ 50	\$ 25	\$ 16	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 7300	\$158	\$11	
Charleston.....	522	3952	27	51	66	205	42	52260	8	7850	6903	1611	11920	688	65	640	3498	156	76	251	39	6	7	21	48	39	1	1	6806	72	1	
Clarksburg.....	426	4282	26	49	15	254	73	51525	12	11100	1090	455	799	858	59	532	3279	321	137	458	38	17	14	32	42	30	2	2	7665	127	26	
Guyandotte.....	385	2110	23	26	29	144	28	21350	9	6125	915	400	1721	1009	65	328	1733	85	60	145	17	6	3	15	14	10	53	59	12	3780	59	12
Morgantown.....	142	4715	24	53	36	211	65	92300	11	11450	3632	79	200	1237	66	586	4090	359	249	584	41	15	15	55	50	29	149	4	8855	185	36	
New R2ver.....	427	3275	52	22	33	93	28	16900	10	3375	1140	83	220	23	41	211	1392	117	13	130	9	2	3	3	6	1	4	4377	32	2		
Oakland.....	227	3970	15	41	130	148	59	138450	10	7775	3066	333	1129	433	75	626	3525	294	78	346	38	15	10	27	20	42	28	3	7287	126	15	
Parkersburg.....	418	4991	29	50	22	265	82	107100	12	12075	13223	577	990	1040	94	787	5010	472	304	778	69	10	9	28	45	48	77	7513	193	49		
Wheeling.....	232	5451	14	71	214	184	47	198000	11	33750	8838	1447	7200	3529	53	716	5266	934	937	1871	192	45	45	174	150	96	578	80	17379	664	153	
Total this year....	3161	38586	245	399	621	1852	510	779200	94	105150	42262	5288	25529	9530	627	5238	33429	3127	2013	5121	496	131	120	405	400	311	889	90	70962	1616	305	
Total last year....	2871	37524	245	405	593	1933	487	685155	86	96130	29743	5728	18633	8735	648	4991	31960	2768	1766	4562	418	85	78	361	310	300	901	205	69739	1425	159	
Increase.....	290	1062	.....	.....	28	.....	23	93905	8	9020	12519	.....	6896	795	.....	247	1469	359	247	559	78	46	42	44	90	11	.....	1223	191	146		
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	6	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	440	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	115	.....	.....	.....	

Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		PASTORS.			P. EL'S.		Bish'ps		Con- Claim- ants.		
NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Val- ue of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Val- ue of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportionment.	Paid.	Apportionment.	Paid.	Apportionment.	Paid.	
BUCKHAN'N DIST.											
Belington.....	Fred Cottrill.....	\$ 390	\$ 302	\$ 87	\$ 56	\$ 50	\$ 8	\$ 2	\$ 15	\$ 2	
Beverly.....	J. N. Sharp.....	450	384	66	60	60	8	2	15	6	
Buckhannon.....	S. Prickett & S. Arbu'h't	525	525		84	84	10	10	28	28	
Buckhannon Cir't	George H. Williams.....	550	550		90	90	10	5	30	11	
Canaan.....	L. D. Haines.....	300	228	72	50	50				3	
East Buckhannon.....	Martin Talbott.....	332	260	72	44	44	8	4	15	4	
Frenchtown.....	C. B. Meredith.....	560	530	30	90	84				5	
Freemansburg.....	B. F. Rogers.....	412	312	99	60	60	5	4	12	7	
Glady.....	G. D. Smith.....	200	204		46	46	5	3	10	3	
Glenville.....	John S. Robinson.....	425	410	15	60	60	3	3	15	15	
Philippi.....	A. B. Rohrbough.....	650	550	100	75	70	10	10	20	20	
South Buckhan'n.....	N. H. Prince.....	550	500	50	60	58	8	3	20	15	
Sutton.....	J. Norris & P. L. Bent	700	631	69	80	80	10	5	20	12	
Troy.....	C. Poling.....	535	450	85	64	64	9	2	25	6	
Webster.....	B. B. Brooks.....	350	325	25	46	46	4	2	10	2	
Weston.....	B. B. Evans.....	725	736		60	60	9	9	25	25	
Mingo.....	W. P. Daniels.....		52			10					
Total.....		8054	6949	770	1025	1016	112	67	260	164	
CHARLESTON DIST											
Calhoun Circuit.....	W. T. McCutcheon.....	270	200	70	50	50	3	1	13		
Charleston.....	A. Mick.....	1140	1140		80	80	8	6	30	14	
Charleston Circuit	H. Bradford.....	310	250	59	65	62	6	2	18	5	
Clifton and Mason	R. B. Ward.....	550	518	32	65	55	5	2	5	2	
Danaville.....	S. F. Smith.....	430	430		40	40					
East Charleston.....	R. E. Hughes.....	350	314	36	60	60					
Hartford City.....	J. W. Griffiths.....	600	600		60	55	4	2	6	5	
Jackson.....	J. S. Jenkins.....	405	348	56	50	46	5	4	7	5	
Letart and Leon.....	A. W. Lowther.....	350	300	50	65	55	6		8	4	
Malden.....	D. W. Smith, Wm. Lee	460	358		40	40	4		7	6	
Mill Creek.....	J. J. White.....	314	224	89	50	50	5	1	6	2	
Point Pleasant.....	A. J. Lyda.....	550	225	325	60	50	6	2	6	2	
Ravenswood.....	C. R. Shackelford.....	700	650	50	80	74		3	12	8	
Raymond City.....	Henson L. Ward.....	300	205	45	50	50	5	2	5	2	
Reedy.....	F. P. Dunbar.....	154	399	114	50	41	2	1	2		
Ripley.....	E. D. W. King.....	425	375	50	50	50		2		1	
Spencer.....	M. Taylor.....	500	400	100	80	73	7	5	18	7	
Walton.....	B. C. Caldwell.....	350	70	280	60	60	5	5	11	9	
Total.....		8158	7006	1406	1055	991	70	38	144	72	
CLARKSBURG DIST.											
Bridgeport.....	G. Rogers.....	400	135	65	65	65	7	4	15	10	
Cherry Camp.....	A. L. Curtis.....	400	384	16	54	54	6	4	25	6	
Clarksburg Stati'n	A. Moore.....	850	850		75	75	8	2	25	10	
Fairmont.....	J. W. W. Bolton.....	620	620		60	60	8	8	25	11	
Farmington.....	G. Martin.....	300	300		50	42	6	5	20	8	
Logansport.....	S. C. Rich.....	340	340		55	55	4	1	12	4	
Lumberport.....	N. L. Baumgardner.....	550	445	105	65	65	8	8	20	15	
Mannington.....	C. E. Clark.....	500	500		60	60	7	3	15	6	
Marion.....	Taylor Richmond.....	450	386	63	65	65	7	4	20	4	
Pine Grove.....	E. S. Withers.....	265	188	77	48	48	6	1	16	5	
Pruntytown.....	J. C. Morris.....	600	570	30	65	65	8	4	20	6	
Quiet Dell.....	W. E. Lovett.....	525	442	83	65	65	8	4	35	18	
Salem.....	T. H. Clark.....	325	525		38	38			12	5	
Smithton.....	W. A. Cheuvront.....	500	457	43	48	48	4	2	30	10	
West Milford.....	J. A. Hammond.....	500	475	25	65	65	9	2	30	10	
Wilsonburg.....	B. D. Mahone.....	600	484	116	65	65	6	6	25	10	
Worthington.....	J. Conwell.....	225	200	25	44	36	5	2	20	5	
Total.....		7950	7301	648	987	971	107	60	347	140	

Guyandotte, Morgantown, New River and Oakland Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTORS.			P. EL'S.		Bish'ps		Con. Claimants.		
		Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
GUYANDOTTE.											
Cassville.....	J. T. Davis	\$ 225	\$ 162	\$ 63	\$ 36	\$ 28	\$ 12	\$ 1	\$ 8	\$ 1	
Ceredo	Arthur Merrells.....	395	300	95	36	26		1		2	
Coal River.....	C. W. Meyers.....	325	275	50	26	26	12	1	5	3	
East Hamlin.....	James Kinder (sup).....				24	3					
Fairfields	A. W. Ownby	400	375	25	50	50	4	2	10	2	
Guyandotte.....	S. B. Tamblын.....	385	347	38	50	50	5	5	10	11	
Hamlin	J. H. Redmon	300	208	92	48	29	4	1	8	2	
Huntington.....	W. Wirt King	940	940		80	89	5	5	30	30	
Laurel	J. G. Thornton (sup).....	100	35	65	20	6	12		3		
Milton.....	S. Gainer	225	206	19	36	34	3	3	16	4	
Monticello	G. W. Matheny	362	231	131	36	34	1	1	10	1	
St. Albans.....	Frank Fletcher.....	300	280	20	30	30			2	1	
Wayne.....	B. Darlington	450	275	175	50	42	2	2	10	2	
Winfield.....	G. W. Marston.....	50	50		40	28	3		8		
Total.....		4457	3684	773	562	475	33	22	120	59	
MORGANTOWN.											
Arnettsville.....	C. W. Cox	500	455	\$ 45	71	71	12	3	26	7	
Blacksville.....	C. Warman	600	550	50	68	68		3	26	13	
Grafton	J. Henry Hess.....	1050	1050		95	95	14	14	41	41	
Halleck	E. C. Woodruff.....	500	400	100	66	66	10	1	25	5	
Jollytown	C. W. Upton	825	825		100	100	14	10	26	20	
Kingwood	E. H. Orwen	835	835		76	76	9	9	20	20	
Knottsville.....	Jos. B. Feather.....	530	530		76	76	8	6	26	7	
Littleton.....	E. R. Skidmore	400	400		54	54	8	4	12	10	
Masontown.....	A. D. Perry	525	525		50	50	6	4		3	
Morgantown	Wm. R. White.....	1050	1050		98	98	13	7	35	21	
Morgantown Circ't	F. G. W. Ford	532	509	22	79	79	8	6	25	8	
Monongalia.....	T. W. Chidester	670	670		78	78	11	5	26	15	
Mount Zion.....	Samuel Harris.....	250	171	79	25	25	2	2	7	2	
Palatine.....	Jas. P. McCormick	510	475	35	62	62	7	4	16	4	
Tunnelton.....	Wm. P. Weekley	525	525		52	52	6	4	10	10	
Total.....		9302	8970	331	1050	1050	128	82	321	286	
NEW RIVER.											
Blue Stone	W. D. Sanford.....	300	60	\$240	40	25	4		7		
Boone.....	A. A. Nichols	314	265	49	60	61	4	2	24	1	
Clay	J. Adamson (sup).....	320	200	120	40	34		1		3	
Concord	J. C. Strader	235	130	105	40	24	4	1	7	1	
Flk River.....	A. D. Adams	385	320	65	60	52	4	1	3	2	
Fayette	J. G. Fugate	416	375	41	60	60	4		10	3	
Flat Top.....	Thos. Parris (sup).....	250	110	140	40	27	4	1	7	2	
Hinchmans.....	G. L. Carder	279	251	28	60	60	4	4	10	5	
Hinton & Coal V.....	J. A. Dixon	500	350	150	60	50	3	2	3	2	
Mountain Cove.....	W. R. Hennen.....	435	395	40	60	62		2			
Nicholas.....	Wm. Hunter	500	425	75	80	65		2		5	
Oceana.....	W. W. Workman	150	86	64	60	57	3	1	10	1	
Ophelia.....	W. P. Guinn	238	269		60	48	4	1	10	1	
Pleasant Retreat.....	P. C. Mays	400	309	91	60	48	1		1		
Raleigh.....	A. L. Hughes.....	500	260	240	80	15	5	2	15	5	
Total.....		5222	3805	1440	860	694	44	20	107	32	
OAKLAND.											
Albrightsville.....	T. R. Faulkner.....	430	300	130	56	56	7	4	15	8	
Aurora	J. C. Rexroad	475	375	100	50	50	6	6	14	7	
Brandonville.....	A. S. Arnett.....	660	577	83	75	76	9	4	21	4	
Cranesville.....	John Rexroad.....	300	300		45	45	6	6	9	9	
Davis.....	C. E. Shaw	560	560		45	45	6	6	14	14	
Deer Park.....	D. Cool				50	50	3	3			

Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.							
		PASTORS.		P. EL'S.		Bish'ps		Con. Claim-ants.	
		Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.
OAKLAND—Con'd.									
Evansville	D. A. Friend	\$ 550	525	\$ 25	\$ 72	\$ 70	8	5	20
Friendsville	D. B. Orr	474	421	52	68	68	7	5	19
Grantsville	Willis E. Dean	325	275	50	55	55	6	4	14
Hambleton	R. S. Welch	350	310	40	35	35			6
Hannahsville	Levi Cross	200	165	35	30	30	4	2	10
Newburg	George W. Kepler	675	675		68	68	8	8	19
Oakland	C. J. Trippett	820	800	20	65	65	8	3	25
Pleasant Grove	M. Knotts	375	275	100	50	50	5	5	12
Rowelsburg	W. H. Shaw	500	525		40	40	5	5	12
Total		6694	6083	635	804	803	88	66	204
PARKERSBURG.									
Belleville	S. Eli Jones	500	443	56	75	75	6		15
Centreville	J. W. Hess	530	377	152	80	80	8	4	22
Elizabeth Station	S. P. Crummitt	460	385	75	50	50	5	3	10
Elizabeth Circuit	L. N. Coffield	446	368	78	60	41	7	1	10
Ellenboro	D. F. Carder	560	410	150	80	53			1
Harrisville	F. H. J. King	600	445	154	100	77		2	2
Kanawha	Daniel Smith	177	177		25	25	3	2	5
Middlebourne	U. Pribble	550	450	100	65	65	9	5	20
Mount Pleasant	John Beddow	325	325		60	60	5	2	12
Parkersburg	George E. Hite	1800	1800		190	190	20	20	90
Parkersburg Circ't	S. J. Cotton	675	620	55	100	100	12	12	30
Pleasants	W. H. Hammond	225	125	100	40	30	3		5
Sistersville	W. W. Kelly	600	462	137	85	75	9	6	20
Shiloh	Joseph H. Stratton	474	392	83	70	70	7	6	18
Smithville	George E. Fisher	586	266	120	65	65			1
VanCamp	J. R. Haight	140	115	25	40	40			3
Volcano	G. Bleakly	350	350		55	55	3	3	10
West Union	W. G. Smith	470	436	34	65	65	7	4	15
Williamstown	Wm. J. Harkness	350	350		50	50	4	3	10
Total		9818	8296	1319	1355	1266	108	73	295
WHEELING.									
Benwood	C. S. Allemong	720	720		46	46	6	4	15
Cameron	F. N. Lynch	850	850		64	64	10	10	20
Dallas	Henry C. Sanford	675	561	113	76	76	6	3	19
Fulton	C. E. Leatherby	300	247	59	18	18	2	2	5
Greene	J. T. Eichelberger	440	342	98	54	54			20
Marshall	G. W. Roberts	700	700		89	89	24	8	60
Moundsville	L. L. Stewart	1075	1075		101	101	23	23	60
Moundsville Circ't	C. H. Lakin	800	800		87	87	24	24	65
New Martinsville	D. S. Hammond	500	500		42	42	6	6	8
New Mar. Circuit	J. D. Smith	400	400		35	35	6	2	8
Pleasant Valley	D. A. Denton	450	430	19	55	52	10	10	15
Short Creek & Lib.	Benj. Ison	725	725		78	74	21	21	60
Triadelphia	T. E. Galway	600	600		50	50	8	4	30
Chapline Street	W. G. Riheladaffer	1100	1100		80	80	24	20	60
Fourth Street	Chas. W. Cushing	2500	2500		278	278	54	54	175
North Street	M. F. Dryden, S. King	973	973		80	80		12	21
Thomson Church	Geo. W. Grimes	1350	1350		100	100	30	30	66
Wesley Chapel	D. L. Ash	800	800		46	46	6	4	15
Zane Street	C. B. Graham	1000	1000		75	75		3	48
Total		15958	15673	289	1450	1447	260	240	749

Recapitulation by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
	PASTORS.				P. ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		Conf. Claimants	
	Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages	Receipt, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Buckhannon.....	\$ 8054	\$ 6949	\$ 770	\$ 1025	1016	\$ 112	\$ 67	\$ 260	\$ 164	
Charleston.	8158	7006	1406	1055	991	70	38	144	72	
Clarksburg.....	7950	7301	648	987	971	107	60	347	140	
Guyandotte.....	4457	3684	773	562	475	33	22	120	59	
Morgantown.....	9302	8970	331	1050	1050	128	82	321	286	
New River.....	5222	3805	1440	860	694	44	20	107	32	
Oakland.....	6694	6083	635	804	803	88	66	204	143	
Parkersburg.....	9818	8296	1319	1355	1266	108	73	295	194	
Wheeling.....	15958	15673	289	1450	1447	260	240	749	680	
Total this year.....	75613	67767	7611	9148	8716	950	668	2547	1770	
“ last “.....	72301	61913	7638	8978	8531	822	556	2450	1388	
Increase.....	3312	5854	.....	170	185	128	112	97	382	
Decrease.....	.....	.....	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	



RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICT OF THE DECEASED IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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West Virginia Annual Conference.

NO.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling..	Hamline ...	Charles Cook.
2	1849	October 5....	Clarksburg.	Waugh	Alex. Martin.
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg.....	Janes.....	" "
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston	Morris.....	" "
5	1852	June 10.....	Morgantown	Simpson....	" "
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston	Baker.....	" "
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont.....	Scott	" "
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling.....	Morris	" "
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon	Ames.....	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville.....	Simpson....	" "
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston	Ames.....	" "
12	1859	April 20.....	Parkersburg.....	Morris.....	" "
13	1860	March 14....	Morgantown	Scott.....	" "
14	1861	March 13....	Wheeling	Baker.....	Samuel Steele.
15	1862	March 12....	Parkersburg.....	Scott.....	" "
16	1863	March 18....	Fairmont.....	Morris.....	Alex. Martin.
17	1864	March 16....	Parkersburg.....	Morris.....	" "
18	1865	March 8.....	Wheeling	Janes.....	" "
19	1866	March 21....	Morgantown	Clark.....	" "
20	1867	March 14....	Cattlettsburg, Ky	Thomson ...	" "
21	1868	March 11....	Moundsville	Kingsley..	Samuel Steele.
22	1869	March 11....	Clarksburg.....	Ames.....	Alex. Martin.
23	1870	March 10....	Charleston	Thomson ...	J. L. Clark.
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg.....	Clark.....	" "
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling.....	Simpson....	" "
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews....	" "
27	1874	March 11....	Fairmont	Scott.....	" "
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant ...	Bowman....	" "
29	1876	March 15....	Wheeling	Harris	" "
30	1877	March 11....	Grafton.....	Ames.....	" "
31	1877	October 4....	Charleston	Scott.....	" "
32	1878	October 10...	Parkersburg.....	Harris.....	G. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1....	Morgantown	Simpson....	" "
34	1880	October 14...	Huntington	Peck.....	" "
35	1881	October 5....	Moundsville	Foster.....	" "
36	1882	October 4....	Clarksburg.....	Andrews....	" "
37	1883	October 10...	Wheeling	Harris.....	" "
38	1884	October 1....	Buckhannon	Walden	" "
39	1885	Sept. 24.....	Charleston	Merrill.....	W. G. Ri'daffer
40	1886	Sept. 23.....	Morgantown	Mallalieu ..	" "
41	1887	October 5....	Parkersburg.....	Bowman....	" "
42	1888	Sept. 26.....	Fairmont.....	Foster.....	" "
43	1889	Sept. 18.....	Point Pleasant....	Joyce.....	" "
44	1890	October 2....	Weston.....	Foss	" "

Standing Committees.

Public Worship.—B. B. Evans, L. H. Jordan.

Board of Stewards.—*Ministers:* G. H. Williams, A. Mick, W. E. Lovett, B. Darlington, F. G. W. Ford, J. M. Grose, D. A. Friend, F. H. J. King, D. S. Hammond. *Laymen.*—S. L. Townsend, B. F. Martin, H. C. McWhorter, John Bailie, J. S. Withers, G. W. Taggart.

Necessitous Cases.—The Board of Stewards.

Missions.—The Presiding Elders.

Education.—J. W. Reger, A. J. Lyda, W. R. White, W. W. King, J. A. Fullerton, William Hunter, G. W. Kepler, W. G. Smith, C. W. Cushing, B. W. Hutchinson.

Sunday School and Tracts.—E. S. Withers, Fred. Cottrill and John H. Redmon.

Church Extension.—The Presiding Elders.

Periodical and Book Accounts.—P. C. Mays, D. A. Friend, Taylor Richmond.

Bible Cause.—B. F. Rogers, R. H. Hughes, A. D. Perry.

Temperance.—A. B. Rohrbough, J. W. Griffiths, J. W. W. Bolton, G. W. Matheny, J. H. Hess, J. A. Hammond, W. H. Shaw, J. H. Stratton, F. N. Lynch.

Presiding Elders' Accounts.—B. Ison, A. Mick, T. W. Chidester.

Freedmans' Aid and Southern Educational Society.—F. P. Dunbar, A. L. Curtis, A. Merrells, T. W. Chidester, J. G. Fugate, C. E. Clark, U. Pribble, C. S. Allemong.

Funds for the Publication of the Minutes.—J. S. Robinson, H. L. Ward, D. F. Carder, John Beddow, E. R. Skidmore, J. C. Strader, W. E. Dean, G. Bleakly, C. E. Leatherby.

District Conference Journals.—C. B. Meredith, G. Rogers, C. W. Cox.

Memoirs.—J. W. Reger, E. D. Hanna, B. Ison, U. Pribble, A. J. Lyda.

Observance of the Sabbath.—N. H. Prince, E. D. W. King, A. Moore, S. Gainer, M. W. Rider, G. E. Ward, J. C. Rexroad, B. D. Mahone, L. W. Roberts.

Parsonages and Furniture.—Levi Cross, E. D. Hanna, A. Moore, S. Vandervort, E. C. Woodruff, Thomas Nutter, J. N. Sharp, S. J. Cotton, C. W. Upton.

Missionary Cause.—M. F. Dryden, A. L. Hughes, N. L. Baumgardner, W. W. King, C. Warman, E. L. Meadows, S. D. Tamblyn, Wm. J. Harkness, H. C. Sanford.

Conference Relations.—C. B. Meredith, R. H. Hughes, J. A. Hammond, A. W. Ownby, G. E. Shaw, Wm. Hunter, T. R. Faulkner, B. D. Mahone, D. L. Ash.

Episcopal Fund.—The Presiding Elders.

Publication of Minutes.—The Secretaries.

Loans From the Educational Fund.—B. B. Evans, A. J. Lyda, J. W. Webb, G. W. Marston, S. Eli Jones, J. G. Fugate, B. Ison, L. Coffield, J. Engle.

Conference Claimants' Day.—Joseph Lee, J. A. Fullerton, A. J. Lyda.

Freedmans' Aid Society Funds.—A. J. Lyda, W. R. White, G. E. Hite, R. H. Hughes, J. A. Fullerton.

District Boards of Church Location.

Buckhannon—George H. Williams, C. B. Meredith, Joseph Teter, Arthur Kiddy.

Charleston—Cyrus Crislip, H. C. McWhorter, P. C. Mays, A. Mick.

Clarksburg—R. H. Hughes, W. E. Lovett, Thomas Thompson, J. A. Lancaster.

Huntington—W. W. King, John Beddow, Peter Simpson, A. B. Palmer.

Morgantown—F. G. W. Ford, F. H. J. King, J. A. Martin, W. P. Willey.

New River—J. M. Grose, A. D. Adams, John Beckley, P. S. Zimmerman.

Oakland—C. E. Clark, E. C. Woodruff, John D. Rigg, S. L. Townsend.

Parkersburg—W. G. Smith, S. J. Cotton, G. W. Tygert, Asher Kinnard.

Wheeling—W. A. Wilson, H. P. McGregor, T. E. Galway, F. N. Lynch.

Committees of Examination.

For Admission on Trial—C. Poling, S. P. Crummitt, L. D. Haines.

First Year—J. M. Warden, W. W. King, M. F. Dryden.

Second Year—Wm. Hunter, C. E. Clark, T. E. Galway.

Third Year—Levi Cross, E. H. Orwen, R. H. Hughes.

Fourth Year—S. Gainer, J. H. Hess, S. D. Tamblyn.

Local Deacons for Elder's Orders—C. W. Upton, B. B. Evans, A. Mick.

Local Preachers for Deacon's Orders—E. D. W. King, G. C. Shaw, G. W. Kepler.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

Appointee.—J. A. Fullerton.

Alternate.—C. E. Clark.

To Preach Conference Sermon.

Appointee.—W. W. King.

Alternate.—Wm. Hunter.

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Vice-Pres't.—W. G. Riheldaffer.

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Railroad Secretary.—J. B. Feather.
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Assistant Statistical Secretaries.—G. W. Grimes, A. Moore, E. D. Hanna and S. P. Crummitt.
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Secretary and Treasurer.—J. L. Clark.

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Secretary.—E. D. Hanna. *Treasurer.*—Jere. Engle.

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G. W. Kepler, S. Gainer, C. S. Allemong, Fred. Cottrill, S. J. Cotton,
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CONFERENCE ROLL.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the list of appointments, page 31.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.

154 Allemong, Chas. S.
171 Ash, David L.
50 Baumgardner, N. L.
173 Blaisdell, H. R.
47 Bolton, J. W. W.
103 Carder, Geo. L.
17 Carder, David F.
80 Carrico, Wm. D.
79 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
92 Chidester, Thos. W.
126 Clark, Chas. E.
141 Coffield, Levi N.
151 Cotton, Thos.
143 Cotton, Samuel J.
95 Cox, Columbus W.
19 Cottrill, Fred.
3 Cross, Levi.
177 Curtis, A. L.
168 Cushing, C. W.
76 Darlington, B.
176 Denton, D. A.
90 Dryden, M. F.
153 Engle, Jeremiah.
21 Evans, Blackburn B.
113 Faulkner, T. R.
84 Feather, Joseph B.
89 Ford, F. G. W.
56 Friend, David A.
170 Fullerton, Jas. A.
74 Gainer, Sylvester.
166 Galway, T. E.
24 Graham, C. B.
160 Grimes, Geo. W.
37 Griffith, J. W.
27 Haines, L. D.
58 Hammond, Joseph A.
39 Hennon, W. R.
82 Hess, John H.
51 Hughes, Robert H.
106 Hunter, Wm.
23 Hutchinson, B. W.
16 Jones, S. Eli.
152 Jones, S. Earnest.
1 Jordan, Lewis H.
42 Kelley, Wm. W.
125 Kepler George W.
59 King, E. D. W.
165 King, Spencer.
94 King, F. H. J.
71 King, Wm. W.
62 Lakin, Calvin H.
6 Lee, Joseph.
54 Lovett, Wm. E.
28 Lyda, Andrew J.
167 Lynch, Francis N.
136 Mahone, B. D.
77 Marston, G. W.
53 Martin, Gideon.
75 Matheny, G. W.
40 Mays, Perry C.
11 Meredith, C. B.
26 Mick, Asbury.
172 Moore, Archibald.
118 Morris, J. C.
114 Nichols, Anderson A.
32 Orwen, E. H.
91 Perry, Andrew D.
4 Polling, Cyrus.
60 Prince, Nathan H.
139 Prible, Ulysses.
120 Rexroad, John C.
86 Rider, Morgan W.
169 Riheldaffer, Wm. G.
52 Richmond, Taylor.

137 Roberts, Lloyd W.
129 Rohrbough, A. B.
159 Sanford, H. C.
96 Shackelford, C. R.
112 Sharpes, Wm. J.
119 Sharp, J. N.
87 Skidmore, E. R.
131 Stewart, L. L.
88 Shaw, George C.
135 Shaw, Wm. H.
178 Shaw, Chas. E.
145 Smith, Warren G.
130 Tambllyn, Silas D.
36 Trippett, C. J.
155 Upton, Caleb W.
174 Ward, Richard B.
45 Warden, James M.
81 Warman, Clemmar.
127 Welch, Randolph S.
7 Williams, Geo. H.
115 Woodruff, E. C.
9 Westfall, S. T.

DEACONS.

FIRST CLASS.

10 Bent, Parris L.
150 Bleakly, Gregory.
109 Guinn, Wallace P.
25 Hammond, Wm. H.
61 Holt, Wm. J.
161 Leatherby, Chas. E.
31 McCutcheon, Wm. T.
68 Merrells, Arthur.
13 Robinson, John S.
98 Strader, Jacob C.
38 Ward, Henson L.
100 Ward, Geo. E.
66 Wilson, Thos. W.

SECOND CLASS.

105 Adams, Andrew D.
142 Bickford, John H.
103 Carder, Geo. L.
Clark, Thos. H.
149 Crummitt, Simon P.
Fisher, Geo. E.
33 Fugate, James G.
104 Grose, James M.
162 Harkness, Wm. J.
121 Knotts, Marcellus.
57 Orr, Dextor B.
157 Ownby, Arthur W.
Stratton, James H.
44 Withers, Enoch S.
35 White, John J.

FIRST YEAR ON TRIAL.

156 Benson, Robert E.
55 Cox, Wm. L.
123 Correll, Wm. C. L.
107 Curtis, Andrew J. L.
72 Davis, Elmer A.
122 Enlow, Josephus.
134 Ireland, Albert L.
179 Mackintosh, Rockliff.
140 Malcom, Frank L.

SECOND YEAR ON TRIAL.

133 Anderson, Wm.
175 Arbuthnot, Sam'l K.
69 Beddow, John.
15 Bent, Geo. W.
83 Dean, Willis E.

111 Dunbar, Floyd P.
110 Fitzwater, Barzilla.
34 Hanna, Eldrige D.
20 Lewis, George.
147 Meadows, Enoch L.
101 Nutter, Thomas.
12 Queen, Floyd W.
64 Redmon, John H.
5 Rogers, Willie C.
180 Smith, George D.
2 Talbott, Martin.
65 Vandervort, Wm. S.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

Clark, T. H.
Dawson, S. R.
Etcheberger, J. T.
Fisher, Geo. E.
Hammond, D. S.
Hitchens, Samuel.
Ison, Benj.
Rogers, Gilbert.
Rogers, B. F.
Stratton, J. H.
Taylor, Marion.
White, Wm. R.
Woodyard, R. L.

SUPERANNUATES.

Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John.
Brooks, Robert.
Brooks, Richard L.
Carroll, J. T.
Clark, J. L.
Conwell, John.
Crossfield, Geo.
Davis, J. T.
Dolliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benj.
Leslie, Lewis E.
McGinnis, D. A.
McNeel, Moore.
Morrison, A. T.
Northcraft, Richard.
Pinchen, J. B.
Rager, J. W.
Sanford, V.
Scott, Hezekiah.
Stevens, Asby.
Trainer, T. H.
Wallace, R. M.
Webb, J. W.
Wriston, Wm.
Williams, J. A.

SUMMARY OF ROLL.

In full connection and
entitled to vote :
Effective Elders..... 96
Deacons..... 28
Supernumeraries..... 13
Superannuates..... 26
Total..... 163
Less 3 counted twice.. 3
Total..... 160
On Trial, { First Year, 9
 { Second " 17
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FIRST DAY.

WESTON, W. VA., Thursday, October 2d, 1890.

OPENING.—The Forty-fourth Session of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church began at Weston, West Va., October 2, 1890, at 9 A. M., with Rev. Bishop C. D. Foss, LL. D., in the chair.

The Scriptures read by the Bishop were the 98th Psalm and the 2d chapter of II. Timothy; the 798th hymn was announced and sung, and Dr. G. E. Hite led in prayer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Presiding Elders.

ROLL CALL.—The Secretary of last Conference called the roll, and 134 answered to their names.

ELECTION OF SECRETARIES.—On motion of Dr. Fullerton, Wm. G. Riheldaffer was re-elected Secretary by acclamation, and by consent, nominated T. E. Galway and S. D. Tambllyn, assistants; E. H. Orwen as Journal Secretary, and J. B. Feather as Railroad Secretary, who were confirmed by the Conference.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.—C. B. Graham was re-elected Statistical Secretary, and by consent, nominated G. W. Grimes, A. Moore, E. D. Hanna and S. P. Crummitt, his assistants, who were confirmed.

CONFERENCE TREASURER.—J. L. Clark was re-elected as Conference Treasurer, with power to appoint his assistant. He chose J. H. Clark, and he was confirmed as Assistant Conference Treasurer.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.—The usual standing committees were nominated by the Presiding Elders and confirmed by the Conference. [See List.]

BAR OF THE CONFERENCE.—On motion of Dr. G. E. Hite, the Bar of the Conference was fixed on a line with the stoves.

TIME OF SESSIONS.—On motion of Dr. Lyda, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 8:30 A. M. and 11:45 A. M., the first half hour to be devoted to religious services.

PAPERS REFERRED.—Various papers presented to the Conference were ordered to be placed in the hands of the proper committees.

F. N. Lynch was appointed to receive subscriptions for the *Methodist Review*, and H. L. Ward to receive subscriptions for *Gospel in All Lands*.

The New York accounts were placed in the hands of J. A. Fuller-

ton for collection, and by his request, W. J. Harkness was appointed to assist him.

On motion of Dr. Clark, all apportionments presented to the Conference were referred to the Presiding Elders.

DRAFTS ORDERED.—The Bishop stated that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Book Concern for \$1,174.00, and on the Chartered Fund for \$30.00. The drafts were ordered.

EXAMINER.—S. J. Cotton, having assisted in the examination of the Second Year's Class, in place of J. M. Grose who was ineligible, on motion of J. A. Fullerton, Bro. Cotton's work as an Examiner was confirmed.

ABSENTEES.—The Conference instructed the different examining committees to examine to-day, Thursday, any members of the classes who might have been detained by circumstances beyond their control.

FREEDMAN'S AID FUNDS.—On motion of L. H. Jordon a committee was appointed to report to the Conference as to the disposition of this fund by the Conference. A. J. Lyda, W. R. White, G. E. Hite, R. H. Hughes and J. A. Fullerton were appointed as said committee. On motion of W. G. Riheldaffer the Conference Treasurer was instructed to hold this fund, pending their report.

INTRODUCTIONS.—B. W. Hutchinson, President of the West Virginia Conference Seminary; Dr. J. S. McConnell, representing the Church Extension Society; J. L. Hurlbut, of the Sunday School Union and Tract Society; and Oliver Lowther, of the M. P. Church in Weston, were introduced.

TRANSFER.—The Bishop announced the transfer of B. W. Hutchinson to this Conference, and on motion of L. H. Jordon he was added to the committee of Education.

TWENTIETH QUESTION.—“Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?” Samuel Earnest Jones, Presiding Elder of the Wheeling District, after the passage of his character, made report of his work.

Each of the following Effective Elders present, after the passing of his character, made his report, by instruction of the Conference reporting collections for Missions and Conference Claimants, and as to whether all the collections had been taken: J. Engle, C. S. Allemong, H. C. Sanford, L. W. Roberts, Joseph Lee, C. W. Upton, D. S. Hammond, D. A. Denton, S. King, T. E. Galway, F. N. Lynch, C. W. Cushing, W. G. Riheldaffer, Geo. W. Grimes, D. L. Ash, C. B. Graham and H. R. Blaisdell.

ADDRESSES.—Dr. McConnell in a short address presented to the Conference the interests and work of the Church Extension Society, the Bishop confirming the same in some earnest words. Dr. Hurlbut presented the work of the Sunday School Union, Tract Society and Epworth League.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.—On motion of Dr. Fullerton, the time for holding the Memorial Service was fixed at 3 o'clock P. M., Sunday.

POSTMASTER.—On motion of S. E. Jones, J. S. Robinson was appointed Conference Postmaster.

Dr. Lyda was appointed to preside at the afternoon session.

The list of committees was called, announcements of time and place of meeting made.

Conference being adjourned by expiration of time, the doxology was sung, the Bishop dismissing with the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 2 o'clock P. M. and was called to order by Dr. A. J. Lyda, who occupied the chair by appointment.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—Dr. J. L. Clark conducted the devotional services.

The object of the session was stated and C. B. Graham was appointed to receive statistics, J. L. Clark to receive benevolent collections, W. E. Lovett to receive collections for Conference claimants, and S. D. Tamblyn to receive money for minutes.

The roll was called and 27 charges failed to report.

The work being completed, on motion Conference adjourned. Benediction by C. B. Graham.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY.

WESTON, W. VA., October 3d, 1890.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—Religious service began at 8:30 A. M., the Bishop giving direction. The Scripture was read by W. W. Kelley, Hymn 553 was sung and prayer offered. The prayer meeting was continued until 9 A. M., when the Bishop called the Conference to order.

JOURNAL READ.—The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session, and they stood approved.

ROLL CALL.—The roll of absentees was called and a number, not at first present, answered.

QUESTION TWENTIETH.—The call on this question was resumed. Oakland District was called and W. J. Sharpes, Presiding Elder, character passed and he read a report of his district. The following Effective Elders' character passed and they reported their collections: T. R. Falkner, J. C. Rexroad, J. N. Sharp, D. A. Friend, R. S. Welch, G. W. Kepler, W. H. Shaw and S. D. Tamblyn.

Parkersburg District, L. L. Stewart, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed and he reported his district. The names of the Elders were called, their characters passed, and those in charge reported their collections: B. D. Mahone, F. H. J. King, U. Pribble, G. E. Hite, S. J. Cotton, M. Taylor, A. A. Nichols and Thomas Cotton.

New River District was called, and the character of C. R. Shackelford, Presiding Elder, passed and he gave a report of the District. The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed and they reported their collections: G. L. Carder, W. R. Hennon and Wm. Hunter.

Morgantown District was called, and the character of J. F. Chenoweth, Presiding Elder was passed, and he reported his District.

The names of the following Elders were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections: C. Warman, J. H. Hess, E. C. Woodruff, J. B. Feather, M. W. Rider, E. R. Skidmore, F. G. W. Ford, J. A. Fullerton, A. D. Perry, T. W. Chidester, S. Eli Jones and C. W. Cox.

Guyandotte District, C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed and he reported his district. J. T. Davis, W. W. King, S. Gainer, G. W. Matheny, Benj. Darlington and A. T. Morriston, Effective Elders, were called, their characters passed and they reported their collections.

Clarksburg District. W. W. Kelley, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed and he gave a report of his District: G. Rogers, A. L. Curtis, A. Moore, J. W. W. Bolton, G. Martin, N. L. Baumgardner, C. E. Shaw and Taylor Richmond, Effective Elders, were called, their characters passed, and they reported their collections. When the name of J. T. Eichelberger was called, there being something against him, a committee of inquiry was ordered, the chair to appoint. The following Elders were called: J. C. Morris, W. E. Lovett and D. F. Carder, their characters passed and they reported their collections.

Charleston District was called, the character of J. M. Warden, Presiding Elder, was passed, and he gave a report of his District. The names of the following Elders were called, their characters passed, and those in charge reported their collections: A. Mick, A. J. Lyda, E. H. Orwen, J. W. Griffiths, E. D. W. King, P. C. Mays, R. H. Hughes and R. B. Ward.

Buckhannon District, L. H. Jordan was called, his character passed, and he gave a report of his District. Levi Cross, C. Poling, M. F. Dryden, G. H. Williams, B. F. Rogers, C. B. Meredith, A. B. Rohrbough, N. H. Prince, Fred. Cotrill and B. B. Evans, Effective Elders, were called, their characters passed and they reported their collections.

ARMY CHAPLAIN.—A special committee of three, consisting of J. W. W. Bolton, G. E. Hite and W. E. Lovett, was appointed to receive papers presented and report.

FIFTH QUESTION.—“Who are admitted into full connection,” was taken up.

The case of Thomas W. Wilson, recommended from the New Foundland Methodist Conference, was duly considered, and on motion, his name was added to the class of the second year.

The class of the second year consisting of the following: Stark W. Arnold, Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, W. H. Hammond, Arthur Merrells, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby, William L. McCoy and Thomas W. Wilson were called and took their places in front of the Bishop. Before addressing the class the Bishop requested the Conference to engage in a short devotional service. “A Charge to Keep I Have,” was sung, and Dr. Hurlbut led in a most touching and appropriate prayer. The Bishop addressed the class at length,

(time was extended) and propounded the usual Disciplinary questions.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—On motion an afternoon session was ordered to meet at 2 o'clock.

Statistical Secretary called for missing reports.

COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY.—The Bishop announced the Committee of Inquiry in the case of J. T. Eichelberger as follows: C. Poling, A. Mick, M. W. Rider, D. A. Friend and B. D. Mahone.

INTRODUCTION.—Dr. J. O. Peck, one of the Corresponding Secretaries of the Missionary Society, was introduced.

Announcements were made and the Conference was dismissed with the Benediction, by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference convened at 2 o'clock, with the Bishop in the Chair.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE.—Three verses of the 1st Hymn were sung, after which Bro. Hutchinson led in prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

TRANSFER.—The Bishop announced the transfer of A. S. Arnett to St. John's River Conference.

Fifth Question was resumed, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby and Thomas W. Wilson, were received into full connection, and elected to Deacon's orders, except Gregory Bleakly, who is a Deacon.

Stark W. Arnold, Martin Talbott, George D. Smith and Arthur L. Hughes, were continued on trial in the class of the second year, and Stark W. Arnold credited with his examination.

William L. McCoy was discontinued at his own request.

QUESTION THIRD.—"Who remain on trial?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Samuel K. Arbutnot, Geo. W. Bent, George Lewis, Willie C. Rogers, Floyd W. Queen, Floyd P. Dunbar, Enoch L. Meadows, Eldridge D. Hanna, John H. Redmon, William S. Vandervort, Thomas Nutter, Willis E. Dean, William Anderson and John Beddow, were continued on trial, and advanced to the class of the second year.

George Lewis to be examined on the first and second year's course of study next year.

Samuel K. Arbutnot was left without an appointment to attend one of our schools.

Barzilla Fitzwater was continued in the class of the first year.

THIRTEENTH QUESTION.—"Who are the traveling Deacons of the second class?" was taken up, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, Enoch S. Withers, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, James G. Fugate, Albert W. Ownby, William J. Harkness, Joseph H. Stratton, Simon P. Crummitt, Andrew D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts, James M. Grose and Dexter B. Orr, were advanced to the second class of Deacons.

William J. Holt, Wallace P. Guinn, Frank Fletcher and George E. Ward, were continued in the first class of Deacons.

The name of George E. Fisher was passed for the time.

FOURTEENTH QUESTION.—“What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?” was taken up, and after the usual Disciplinary proceedings, Lorenzo D. Haines, George L. Carder, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, Joseph A. Hammond and George C. Shaw, were elected to Elders' orders, except George L. Carder and Joseph A. Hammond, who are Elders.

The relation of Lorenzo D. Haines was changed from supernumerary to effective.

INTRODUCTIONS.—W. L. Dixon, of Scio College, and H. Young, of the M. P. Church, were introduced to the Conference.

TENTH QUESTION.—“What Local Preachers have been Elected Deacons?” was called, and Daniel W. Ruble and Henry F. Hughes being duly recommended, and having passed their examinations, were represented by their Presiding Elders and elected to Local Deacon's Orders.

EIGHTEENTH QUESTION.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?” was called, and the following were continued in that relation: S. R. Dawson, S. Hitchens, R. L. Woodyard, W. R. White, B. Ison and C. J. Trippitt.

G. W. Marston's relation was changed from Supernumerary to Effective.

NINETEENTH QUESTION.—“Who are the Superannuated Preachers?” was called, and after the usual disciplinary proceedings the following were continued in that relation: D. S. Benedum, John Birkett, Robert Brooks, R. L. Brooks, George Crossfield, J. T. Carroll, J. J. Dolliver, B. Hager, L. E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, M. McNeel, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Vanlinden Sanford, H. Scott, Asby Stevens, Thos. H. Trainer, William Wriston, J. A. Williams, R. M. Wallace, J. L. Clark, John Conwell, W. D. Carrico and J. W. Webb. H. H. Miles was granted a location at his request.

QUESTION SEVENTH.—“Who are received on credentials from other churches?” was taken up, and S. T. Westfall's orders were recognized and he was received on his credentials.

On motion a session of Conference was ordered to be held at 3 o'clock P. M., to-morrow, or as soon as the Conference returns from Buckhannon.

On motion of W. R. White, Judge Woods, President of the Board of Trustees of the Conference Seminary, was granted a hearing on behalf of the Board of Trustees, and presented a paper which was referred to the committee on Education.

At this point the Bishop called Dr. Peck forward who addressed the Conference on the subject of Missions.

On motion of W. J. Sharpes, B. Ison was made a Conference claimant.

Conference then adjourned, doxology was sung, and benediction pronounced by Dr. J. O. Peck.

THIRD DAY.

MONDAY.

WESTON, W. VA., October 6, 1890.

Devotional Services began at 8:30 A. M., conducted by W. J. Sharpes, who read the 16th Psalm and announced the 726th hymn. Bro. G. W. Smith led in prayer.

At 9 A. M. the Bishop took the chair and called the Conference to order.

READING OF THE MINUTES.—Minutes of Friday afternoon's session were read and approved.

The Bishop presented a proposition from the General Conference concerning "Lay representation, to change 2d section, paragraph 63, of Discipline.

On motion, a vote by standing count was ordered, resulting as follows: 42 in favor of adoption and 51 against it.

The Bishop also presented a proposition formulated by the Philadelphia Conference concerning the same, "to equalize ministerial and lay representation, the vote of which was never to be taken separately;" vote resulting 22 in favor of adoption and 65 against.

QUESTION THIRTY-FOUR.—"Where shall the next Conference be held?" was taken up. Dr. C. W. Cushing extended an invitation from the Fourth Street Church, Wheeling, and Joseph Lee an invitation from Moundsville.

A vote was taken, resulting as follows: Fourth Street 55 and Moundsville 33. Fourth Street having received the highest number of votes was declared the seat of our next Conference.

QUESTION SIXTEENTH.—What Local Deacons have been elected Elders? was called, and Joshua B. Conaway, recommended by the Salem Quarterly Conference of the Clarksburg District, after the usual disciplinary proceedings, was elected to Elder's orders.

CREDENTIALS RESTORED.—On motion of W. J. Sharpes the credentials of Daniel Tichnell were restored.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Revs. A. M. McKeever, E. J. Wilson and J. W. Holland of the M. P. Church were introduced.

COMMUNICATIONS.—A communication from Dr. C. W. Smith was read, concerning the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate* and its increase within our bounds.

REPORTS.—Committee on Sunday Schools and Tracts made their report, which was adopted.

Committee on Freedman's Aid and S. E. Society presented their report, and a special committee of three, consisting of R. H. Hughes, L. H. Jordan and E. H. Orwen, was appointed to confer with the officers of the society with reference to retaining that Conference collection for seminary purposes.

On motion, it was ordered that the Conference Treasurer be instructed to retain Freedman's Aid funds until the matter be adjusted.

OBSERVANCE OF SABBATH.—The Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath presented their report. On motion of L. L. Stewart, the

words "To keep open gates and charge gate fees," occurring in the report, be stricken out, and after debate the motion was laid on the table.

BIBLE CAUSE.—Committee on Bible Cause made their report, pending which the State Agent of the American Bible Society represented the interests of the cause, after which the report was adopted.

Committee on Sabbath Observance asked to be excused for a time, which excuse was granted.

Committee on Parsonages and Furniture presented their report, which was adopted.

EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND.—The report of the committee was presented, and on motion was recommitted.

On motion, a committee consisting of J. W. W. Bolton, B. W. Hutchinson, A. J. Lyda, S. Earnest Jones and W. R. White, was appointed to consider the whole matter of the Educational Loan Fund, and report to the Conference at its next annual session.

On motion of A. J. Lyda, the funds of our Educational Society to be loaned only to students desiring to attend the Conference Seminary, and after discussion the whole matter was laid on the table.

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' AND VETERANS' DAY.—Committee made their report, which on motion was laid on the table.

A resolution of respect to Dr. G. E. Hite was presented and adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of A. J. Lyda it was ordered, that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock P. M.

Conference Stewards were excused from attending the afternoon session.

On motion of L. L. Stewart, Marion Taylor was granted a supernumerary relation, and his case was referred to the Board of Stewards for a small appropriation.

Announcements were made, Conference adjourned, doxology was sung, and benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference convened at 2 o'clock P. M., with Dr. J. A. Fullerton in the chair. The first hymn was sung after which R. M. Wallace led in prayer.

JOURNAL READ.—The minutes were read and approved.

The committee on the observance of Sabbath made their report which was adopted.

On motion, E. D. Hanna who passed his examination in the second year, was credited with such examination.

The committee on Temperance presented their report which was adopted.

The committee on Missionary Cause made their report, which was adopted.

The Committee on the Loan Fund recommended that George S. Richardson be loaned \$100, J. F. Chenoweth \$150 and Hough Houston \$100, and any amount remaining shall be disbursed according to the judgment of the committee to those who apply, which report was adopted.

The Statistical Secretary presented his report in the aggregate, which was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Funds for the publication of the minutes was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder of Buckhannon District, and the President of the Seminary, be appointed as a committee, with the privilege of selecting a third person, in carrying out the plan presented by the trustees for collecting funds for the Seminary.

W. R. WHITE.

A. J. LYDA.

The Committee on Education presented their report, a part of which was adopted.

The report of the Board of Stewards was adopted, and disbursements made. [See report.]

Dr. Cushing, on behalf of a friend, handed to the presiding officer \$100, and requested that it be disbursed to the following persons: Widow Richmond, \$10; Widow Weaver, \$10; Widow Young, \$10; Hartley children, \$10; Richard M. Wallace, \$20; J. T. Carroll, \$5; Robert Brooks, \$10; V. Sanford, \$10; D. B. Orr, \$10; and M. Taylor, \$5. On motion of Dr. Lyda, a vote of thanks was extended to the donor.

Report of Committee on Memoirs was presented.

Memorial services were opened by singing hymn 533. F. H. J. King led in prayer. The Bishop came in and took the chair.

The obituary of Rev. D. W. Smith was read by C. Warmen, and remarks were made by Bros. Lynch, White, Shackelford, W. W. King and L. N. Coffield.

The remaining memoirs were postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop called up the Second Question, "Who are admitted on trial?" and after the usual disciplinary proceedings, A. J. L. Curtis, W. L. Cox, Frank L. Malcolm, Wm. C. L. Correll, Josephus Enlow, Albert L. Ireland, Rockliffe Mackintosh, Elmer A. Davis and Robert E. Benson were admitted on trial.

Rockliffe Mackintosh was left without appointment to attend school.

George E. Fisher was advanced in his studies and granted a supernumerary relation.

J. H. Stratton was granted a supernumerary relation.

Committee in case of Bro. Eichelberger presented their report which was adopted, and he was granted a supernumerary relation.

C. E. Shaw, A. L. Curtis and D. A. Denton were left without appointments to attend school.

The relation of W. D. Carrico was changed from superannuated to effective.

Conference adjourned, doxology sung and benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

TUESDAY.

WESTON, October 7th, 1890.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES.—The devotional services began at 8 A. M., conducted by Dr. J. W. W. Bolton, who read the 1st chap. of Heb., and announced the 1030 hymn. After the singing he led in prayer.

At 8:30 A. M., the Bishop not being present, Dr. Bolton called the Conference to order.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.—The Secretary being absent by reason of sickness, the First Assistant Secretary read the minutes of yesterday afternoon's session which were approved.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATIONS.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that on Sunday, Oct. 5, 1890, in Weston, W. Va., I ordained Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Charles E. Leatherby, Thomas W. Wilson, Henry F. Hughes and David W. Ruble, as Deacons.

That on the same day and in the same place, assisted by several Elders, I ordained Lorenzo D. Haines, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield and Geo. C. Shaw, as Elders.

And that on Tuesday, Oct. 7, 1890, in the same place, assisted by several Elders, I also ordained Joshua B. Conaway as an Elder.

CYRUS D. FOSS.

WESTON, W. VA., Oct. 7, 1890.

On motion, Dr. Lyda was substituted on the committee on Chaplaincy in the United States Army in place of Dr. G. E. Hite. The committee made their report which was adopted.

The Secretary's report was read and adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PERMANENT FUND.—Dr. Clark made his report, which was adopted.

The Woman's F. M. Society report was presented, read and adopted, and on motion of E. H. Owen was ordered to be incorporated in the minutes.

MEMORIAL SERVICES RESUMED.—Bro. Ison read the obituary of Sister C. R. Shackelford, and remarks were made by Bros. Lynch, F. H. J. King, Evans and Warden.

The names of J. W. Hess and G. R. Copeland were presented as having died during the year, and remarks were made by Bros. Ison, Bolton, Coffield, Cox and Webb. The report of committee on memoirs was then adopted.

The committee on Education presented the second part of their report containing the plan for raising funds for the Conference Seminary, which on motion was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.—W. W. King presented resolutions of respect referring to the Bishop, to the people of Weston, to Rev. B. B. Evans and to various railroads which were adopted.

A collection was taken to pay Secretary's miscellaneous expenses, and Bros. King, Ash, Redman and Sanford were appointed collectors who returned with \$13.62.

On motion a collection was taken for the sexton amounting to \$7.08.

Joshua B. Conaway, a candidate for Local Elder's Orders was called forward, the usual disciplinary questions were propounded by the Bishop, after which he was ordained Elder.

The Bishop then announced the following transfers:

Frank Fletcher to the Wilmington Conference, Stark W. Arnold to the Genesee, and A. L. Hughes to the Central Ohio.

John E. Bickford from S. E. Indiana to the West Virginia Conference.

Bro. B. F. Rogers was granted a supernumerary relation.

George D. Smith was left without appointment to attend school.

Conference asked the Bishop to appoint B. W. Hutchinson to the Presidency of the West Virginia Conference Seminary.

CHANGE OF RELATION.—The relation of C. J. Trippett was changed from supernumerary to effective.

D. S. Hammond from effective to supernumerary.

G. Roger's effective to supernumerary.

T. H. Clark was granted a supernumerary relation to attend school.

J. T. Davis and A. T. Morrison were granted a superannuated relation.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.—The committee on Missions presented their report which was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.—The committee on Nominations made their report which was adopted. [See Report.]

President Hutchinson then addressed the Conference in the interests of the West Virginia Conference Seminary, after which the Bishop spoke in words of commendation.

On motion, the amount apportioned by the Conference Stewards to Sister Battell, who was reported dead, was given to Sister Young.

Dr. W. R. White called attention to a statement made in the *Daily Methodist* concerning the amount collected for Conference claimants, and the editor was asked to correct it.

Dr. Bolton then feelingly referred to Bro. Orr's condition, who had lost a limb during the past year, and on motion, a collection was taken to pay the expenses of procuring a cork foot, which collection amounted to about \$100.00.

READING OF THE JOURNAL.—The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion it was ordered that after the reading of the appointments the Conference adjourn.

The appointments were read and the Forty-fourth session of the West Virginia Conference closed.

WM. G. RHELDAFFER,
Secretary.

C. D. FOSS,
Presiding Bishop.



ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Wednesday Evening, 7:30.

Anniversary Church Extension Society. Address by Dr. McConnell.

Thursday Afternoon 3:00.

S. School Union Anniversary. Address by Dr. J. L. Hurlbut.

Thursday Evening, 7:30.

Epworth League Work. Address by Dr. Hurlbut.

Friday Evening, 7:30.

Missionary Anniversary. Address by Dr. J. O. Peck.

Saturday Evening, 7:30.

Temperance Mass Meeting. Addressed by L. L. Stewart, Dr. Cushing, F. N. Lynch and G. E. Hite.

Sunday Morning, 9:00.

Love-Feast. Led by C. H. Lakin.

Sermon, 10:30, by Bishop Foss.

Ordination Service, 2:30.

Sermon 7:30, by G. E. Hite.

Monday Evening, 7:30.

Anniversary Educational Society. Addresses by Drs. White, Cushing and President Hutchinson.



DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1.—“Who are received by Transfer, and from what Conference?”

ANSWER.—B. W. Hutchinson, from the New England Southern Conference; John E. Bickford, from S. E. Indiana.

Q. 2.—“Who are admitted on Trial?”

A.—Andrew J. Lyda Curtis, Wm. L. Cox, Frank L. Malcolm, Wm. C. L. Correll, Josephus Enlow, Albert L. Ireland. Rockleff Mackintosh, Elmer A. Davis, Robert E. Benson.

Q. 3.—“Who remains on Trial?”

A.—Martin Talbott, George D. South, Saml. K. Arbuthnot, Geo. W. Bent, George Lewis, Willie C. Rogers, Floyd P. Dunbar, Enoch L. Meadows, Eldridge D. Hanna, John H. Redmon, Wm. S. Vandervort, Thomas Nutter, Willis E. Dean, Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, Barzilla Fitzwater.

Q. 4.—“Who are Discontinued?”

A.—Wm. L. McCoy.

Q. 5.—“Who are admitted into Full Connection?”

A.—Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby, Thos. W. Wilson.

Q. 6.—“Who are Re-admitted?”

A.—None.

Q. 7.—“Who are received on Credentials from other Churches?”

A.—Samuel T. Westfall, from the United Brethren Church; Thos. W. Wilson, from the Methodist Church in Canada.

Q. 8.—“What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Charles E. Leatherby and Thomas W. Wilson.

Q. 9.—“What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Charles E. Leatherby and Thomas W. Wilson.

Q. 10.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

A.—Henry F. Hughes, David W. Ruble.

Q. 11.—“What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?”

A.—Henry F. Hughes, David W. Ruble.

Q. 12.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?”

A.—Henson L. Ward, John S. Robinson, Parris L. Bent, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby, Thomas W. Wilson, Wm. J. Holt, Wallace P. Guinn, Geo. E. Ward.

Q. 13.—“Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?”

A.—Enoch S. Withers, John J. White, Thomas H. Clark, James G. Fugate, Albert W. Ownby, William J. Harkness, Joseph H. Straton, S. P. Crummitt, Andrew D. Adams, Marcellus Knotts, James M.

Grose, Dexter B. Orr, Geo. E. Fisher, John E. Bickford, Geo. L. Carder.

Q. 14.—“What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Lorenzo D. Haines, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, George C. Shaw.

Q. 15.—“What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Lorenzo D. Haines, Warren G. Smith, Levi N. Coffield, George C. Shaw, Joseph A. Hammond, was passed to the list of Effective Elders.

Q. 16.—“What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?”

A.—Joshua B. Conaway.

Q. 17.—“What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?”

A.—Joshua B. Conaway.

Q. 18.—“Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?”

A.—S. R. Dawson, S. Hitchens, R. L. Woodyard, W. R. White, Benj. Ison, George E. Fisher, J. H. Stratton, B. F. Rogers, D. S. Hammond, G. Rogers, T. H. Clark, J. T. Eichelberger, M. Taylor.

Q. 19.—“Who are the Superannuated Preachers?”

A.—D. S. Benedum, John Birkitt, Robert Brooks, R. L. Brooks, George Crossfield, J. T. Carroll, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hager, L. E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, M. McNeel, R. Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, John W. Reger, V. Sanford, H. Scott, A. Stevens, T. H. Trainer, R. M. Wallace, J. L. Clark, John Conwell, J. Wesley Webb, J. T. Davis, A. T. Morriston.

Q. 20.—“Was the character of each Preacher examined?”

A.—This was strictly done in open Conference.

Q. 21.—“Have any died?”

A.—Daniel W. Smith, John W. Hess, G. R. Copeland.

Q. 22.—“Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?”

A.—Geo. E. Hite, to Troy Conference; W. A. Cheuvront, to North Dakota Conference; Frank Fletcher, to Wilmington Conference; Stark W. Arnold, to Genesee Conference, A. L. Hughes, to Central Ohio Conference; A. S. Arnett, to St. John's River Conference.

Q. 23.—“Have any Withdrawn?”

A.—None.

Q. 24.—“Have any been Located at their own request?”

A.—H. H. Miles.

Q. 25.—“Have any been Located?”

A.—None.

Q. 26.—“Have any been permitted to Withdraw under charges or complaints?”

A.—None.

Q. 27.—“Have any been Expelled?”

A.—None.

Q. 28.—“Who are selected to be the Triers of Appeals?”

A.—C. S. Allemong, Geo. W. Kepler, Sylvester Gainer, T. W. Chidester, Fred. Cottrill, S. J. Cotton and J. W. W. Bolton.

Q. 29.—“What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?”

A.—Probationers, 2,877; Full Members, 39,065, Local Preachers, 245.

Q. 30.—“What is the Conference Treasurer's report for this Conference year?”

A.—\$10,333.75 for Benevolent Collections.

Q. 31.—“What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?”

A.—\$3,000.

Q. 32.—“What has been received on these Claims, and how has it been applied?”

A.—\$3,344. (See Steward's report.)

Q. 33.—“Where are the Preachers Stationed?”

A.—See appointments.

Q. 34.—“Where shall the next Conference be held?”

A.—Fourth Street Church, Wheeling, W. Va.

APPOINTMENTS OF THE PREACHERS.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

1. *L. H. Jordan, P. E., 4. Postoffice, Buckhannon, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
2	Barbour.....	1	Martin Talbott ...	Calhoun.....	Barbour..	W. Va.
3	Belington.....	2	Levi Cross.....	Belington.....	“	“
4	Beverly.....	2	Cyrus Poling.....	Beverly.....	Randolph.	“
5	Braxton.....	1	W. C. Rogers.....	Flatwoods.....	Braxton..	“
6	Buckhannon.....	1	Joseph Lee.....	Buckhannon..	Upshur...	“
7	Buckhannon Circuit	3	G. H. Williams.....	Peck's Run.....	“	“
8	Canaan.....	2	B. B. Brooks (sup) ..	Selbyville.....	“	“
9	East Buckhannon..	1	S. T. Westfall.....	Overhill.....	“	“
10	Freemansburg.....	1	P. L. Bent.....	Freemansburg..	Lewis.....	“
11	Frenchton.....	4	C. B. Meredeth.....	Rock Cave.....	Upshur...	“
12	Glady.....	1	F. W. Queen.....	Ireland.....	Lewis.....	“
13	Glenville.....	3	J. S. Robinson.....	Glenville.....	Gilmer....	“
14	Helvetia.....	1	John Marteny (sup) ..	Helvetia.....	Randolph.	“
15	Mingo.....	2	G. W. Bent.....	Valley Head.....	“	“
16	Philippi.....	1	S. Eli Jones.....	Philippi.....	Barbour..	“
17	South Buckhannon	1	D. F. Carder.....	French Creek ..	Upshur...	“
18	Sutton.....	1	To be supplied.....	Sutton.....	Braxton..	“
19	Troy.....	2	Fred. Cottrill.....	Troy.....	Gilmer....	“
20	Webster.....	2	George Lewis.....	Addison.....	Webster..	“
21	Weston.....	3	B. B. Evans.....	Weston.....	Lewis.....	“
22	Weston Circuit.....	1	Lloyd Boylen.....	“	“	“

23. B. W. Hutchinson, President of West Virginia Conference Seminary, member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

24. *C. B. Graham, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Charleston, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Postoffices.	County.	State.
25	Calhoun.....	1	W. H. Hammond.....	Arnoldsburg...	Calhoun...	W. Va.
26	Charleston.....	4	A. Mick.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha..	“
27	Charleston Circuit.	1	L. D. Haines.....	Young's Mills..	“	“
28	Clifton and Mason.	2	A. J. Lyda.....	Clifton.....	Mason.....	“
29	Danaville.....	1	J. S. Jenkins (sup) ..	Malden.....	Kanawha..	“
30	East Charleston..	1	Jacob Hiatt (sup) ..	Clendenin.....	“	“
31	Fisher's Point.....	1	W. T. McCutcheon..	Fisher's Point..	Jackson...	“
32	Hartford City.....	2	E. H. Orwen.....	Hartford City..	Mason.....	“
33	Leon.....	1	J. G. Fugate.....	Leon.....	“	“
34	Malden.....	2	E. D. Hanna.....	Malden.....	Kanawha..	“
35	Noble.....	1	J. J. White.....	Lockharts.....	Jackson...	“
36	Point Pleasant.....	1	C. J. Trippett.....	Point Pleasant..	Mason.....	“
37	Ravenswood.....	2	J. W. Griffiths.....	Ravenswood...	Jackson...	“
38	Raymond City.....	4	H. L. Ward.....	Raymond City..	Putnam....	“
39	Ripley.....	1	W. R. Hennen.....	Jackson C. H...	Jackson...	“
40	Spencer.....	2	P. C. Mays.....	Spencer.....	Roane.....	“
41	Walton.....	2	G. W. Alley (sup) ..	Walton.....	“	“

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

42. *W. W. Kelley, P. E., 2, Postoffice, Clarksburg, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
43	Bridgeport.....	1	G. W. White (sup.)	Bridgeport.....	Harrison	W. Va.
44	Cherry Camp.....	1	E. S. Withers.....	Cherry Camp.....	"	"
45	Clarksburg.....	1	J. M. Warden.....	Clarksburg.....	"	"
46	Enterprise.....	1	Theo. McCoy (sup.)	Bingamon.....	Marion	"
47	Fairmont.....	3	J. W. W. Bolton.....	Palatine.....	"	"
48	Farmington.....	1	F. Tonge (sup.).....	Farmington.....	"	"
49	Logansport.....	1	W. S. Nicholson (sup)	Logansport.....	"	"
50	Lumberport.....	3	N. L. Baumgardner	Lumberport.....	Harrison	"
51	Mannington.....	1	R. H. Hughes.....	Mannington.....	Marion	"
52	Marion.....	4	Taylor Richmond..	Barracksville.....	"	"
53	Mononga.....	1	Gideon Martin.....	Fairmont.....	"	"
54	Mount Clare.....	3	W. E. Lovett.....	Mt. Clare.....	Harrison	"
55	Pine Grove.....	2	W. L. Cox.....	Pine Grove.....	Wetzel	"
56	Pruntytown.....	1	D. A. Friend.....	Pruntytown.....	Taylor	"
57	Salem.....	1	D. B. Orr.....	Salem.....	Harrison	"
58	Smithton.....	1	J. A. Hammond.....	Smithton.....	Doddridge	"
59	West Milford.....	1	E. W. D. King.....	West Milford.....	Harrison	"
60	Wilsonburg.....	1	N. H. Prince.....	Wilsonburg.....	"	"

61. *W. J. Holt, Tutor in Scio College, member of West Milford Quarterly Conference.*

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

62. *C. H. Lakin, P. E., 2, Postoffice, Huntington, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
63	Cassville.....	1	To be supplied.....	Fort Gay.....	Wayne.....	W. Va.
64	Ceredo.....	2	J. H. Redmon.....	Ceredo.....	"	"
65	Coal River.....	2	W. S. Vandervort..	Winifrede.....	Kanawha.	"
66	Coalburg.....	1	T. W. Wilson.....	Coalburg.....	"	"
67	East Hamlin.....	1	To be supplied.....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln..	"
68	Fairfields.....	1	Arthur Merrells.....	Fairfield.....	Kanawha.	"
69	Guyandotte.....	2	John Beddow.....	Guyandotte.....	Cabell.....	"
70	Hamlin.....	1	Eli Rose (sup).....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln..	"
71	Huntington.....	3	W. W. King.....	Huntington.....	Cabell.....	"
72	Huntington Circ't.	1	E. A. Davis.....	"	"	"
73	Laurel Hill.....	1	To be supplied.....	Tooley.....	Wayne.....	"
74	Milton.....	3	Sylvester Gainer.....	Milton.....	Cabell.....	"
75	Monticello.....	3	G. W. Matheny.....	Verranda.....	Mason.....	"
76	St. Albans.....	2	B. Darlington.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha.	"
77	Wayne.....	1	G. W. Marston.....	Dickson.....	Wayne.....	"
78	Winfield.....	1	V. A. Nanna (sup.)	Winfield.....	Putnam.....	"

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

79. *J. T. Chenoweth, P. E., 6, Postoffice, Palatine, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
80	Arnettsville.....	1	W. D. Carrico.....	Arnettsville.....	Monong'a.	W. Va.
81	Blacksville.....	3	C. Warman.....	Blacksville.....	"	"
82	Grafton.....	3	J. H. Hess.....	Grafton.....	Taylor	"
83	Halleck.....	1	W. E. Dean.....	Halleck.....	Preston	"
84	Jollytown.....	2	J. B. Feather.....	Jollytown.....	Greene	Penn'a
85	Jollytown.....		To be supplied.....	"	"	"
86	Kingwood.....	2	M. W. Rider.....	Kingwood.....	Preston	W. Va.
87	Knottsville.....	2	E. R. Skidmore.....	Knottsville.....	Taylor	"
88	Littleton.....	1	G. C. Shaw.....	Littleton.....	Wetzel.	"
89	Masontown.....	2	F. G. W. Ford.....	Masontown.....	Monong'a.	"
90	Morgantown.....	1	M. F. Dryden.....	Morgantown.....	"	"
91	Morgantown Circ't.	2	A. D. Perry.....	"	"	"
92	Monongalia.....	4	T. W. Chidester.....	"	"	"
93	Mount Zion.....	3	S. Harris (sup).....	Mt. Harmony.....	"	"
94	Palatine.....	1	F. H. J. King.....	Palatine.....	Marion....	"
95	Tunnelton.....	2	C. W. Cox.....	Tunnelton.....	Preston....	"

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

96. *C. R. Shackelford, P. E., 2. Postoffice, Charleston, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
97	Boone.....	1	C. W. Myers (sup.)	Hewitt.....	Boone.....	W. Va.
98	Clay.....	1	J. C. Strader.....	Tate Creek.....	Braxton.....	"
99	Concord.....	1	E. J. Bennett.....	Concord.....	Mercer.....	"
100	Elk River.....	1	G. E. Ward.....	Osborne's Mills	Roane.....	"
101	Fayette.....	1	Thomas Nutter.....	Kincaid.....	Fayette.....	"
102	Flat Top.....	2	Thos. Parris (sup.)	Shady Springs	Raleigh.....	"
103	Hinchmans.....	3	G. L. Carder.....	Rich Creek.....	Logan.....	"
104	Hinton.....	2	J. M. Grose.....	Fayette Station	Fayette.....	"
105	Mountain Cove.....	1	A. D. Adams.....	Leander.....	"	"
106	Nicholas.....	3	Wm. Hunter.....	Kesler's x R'ds.	Nicholas.....	"
107	Oceana.....	1	A. G. L. Curtis.....	Oceana.....	Wyoming.....	"
108	Oilville.....	1	To be supplied	"	"	"
109	Ophelia.....	3	W. P. Guinn.....	Ophelia.....	Nicholas.....	"
110	Pleasant Retreat.....	1	B. M. Fitzwater.....	Pleasant Retr't.	Clay.....	"
111	Raleigh.....	1	F. P. Dunbar.....	Raleigh C. H.	Raleigh.....	"

OAKLAND DISTRICT..

112. *Wm. J. Sharpes, P. E., 4. Postoffice, Oakland, Md.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
113	Albrightsville.....	5	T. R. Faulkner.....	Albright.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
114	Aurora.....	1	A. A. Nichols.....	Aurora.....	"	"
115	Brandonville.....	1	E. C. Woodruff.....	Brandonville.....	"	"
116	Brandonville.....	1	One to be supplied	"	"	"
117	Cranesville.....	3	John Rexwood (sup)	Cozzart.....	"	"
118	Davis.....	1	J. C. Morris.....	Davis.....	Grant.....	"
119	Deer Park.....	2	J. N. Sharp.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Md.
120	Evansville.....	1	J. C. Rexroad.....	Evansville.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
121	Friendsville.....	1	M. Knotts.....	Hoys.....	Garrett.....	Md.
122	Grantsville.....	1	Josephus Enlow.....	Grantsville.....	"	"
123	Hambleton.....	1	W. C. L. Correll.....	Hambleton.....	Grant.....	W. Va.
124	Hannahsville.....	1	H. E. Friend (sup.)	Hannahsville.....	Tucker.....	"
125	Newburg.....	3	G. W. Kepler.....	Newburg.....	Preston.....	"
126	Oakland.....	2	C. E. Clark.....	Oakland.....	Garrett.....	Md.
127	Pleasant Grove.....	1	R. S. Welch.....	Fellowsville.....	Preston.....	W. Va.
128	Red Creek.....	1	W. Adamson (sup.)	Red Creek.....	Randolph.....	"
129	Rowlesburg.....	1	A. B. Rohrbough.....	Rowlesburg.....	Preston.....	"
130	Terra Alta.....	2	S. D. Tamblin.....	Terra Alta.....	"	"

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

131. *L. L. Stewart, P. E., 2. Postoffice, Williamstown, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
132	Belleville.....	1	D. W. Ruble (sup.)	Belleville.....	Wood.....	W. Va.
133	Cairo.....	1	Wm. Anderson.....	Cairo.....	"	"
134	Centreville.....	1	A. L. Ireland.....	Ripley.....	Tyler.....	"
135	Elisabeth.....	1	W. H. Shaw.....	Wirt C. H.....	Wirt.....	"
136	Ellenboro.....	2	B. D. Mahone.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	"
137	Harrisville.....	1	L. W. Roberts.....	Harrisville.....	"	"
138	Kanawha.....	3	Daniel Smith (sup.)	Dallison.....	Wood.....	"
139	Middlebourne.....	3	U. Pribble.....	Middlebourne.....	Tyler.....	"
140	Mount Pleasant.....	1	F. N. Malcolm.....	Murphy's Mills	Wood.....	"
141	Newark.....	4	L. N. Coffield.....	Newark.....	Wirt.....	"
142	Parkersburg.....	1	J. E. Bickford.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	"
143	Parkersburg Circ't.	3	S. J. Cotton.....	Buffington.....	"	"
144	Pleasants.....	1	To be supplied	St. Marys.....	Pleasants.....	"
145	Sistersville.....	2	W. G. Smith.....	Sistersville.....	Tyler.....	"
146	Shiloh.....	1	To be supplied	Shiloh.....	"	"
147	Smithville.....	1	E. L. Meadows.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	"
148	Van Camp.....	2	J. R. Haight (sup.)	Van Camp.....	Wetzel.....	"
149	West Union.....	2	S. P. Crummitt.....	West Union.....	Doddridge.....	"
150	Williamstown.....	1	Gregory Bleakly.....	Williamstown.....	Wood.....	"

151. Thomas Cotton, Agent of the American Bible Society, member of Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

152. *S. Ernest Jones, P. E., 4. Postoffice, Wheeling, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Post Offices.	Post Officers.	County.	State.
153	Benwood	2	J. Engle.....	Benwood	Marshall..	W. Va.
154	Cameron.....	2	C. S. Allemong....	Cameron	" ..	"
155	Dallas	1	C. W. Upton.....	Dallas.....	" ..	"
166	Fulton	1	R. E. Benson.....	Wheeling	Ohio.....	"
157	Graysville.....	1	A. W. Ownby.....	Graysville.....	Marshall..	"
158	Greene.....	1	To be supplied....	Bannen.....	" ..	"
159	Marshall.....	1	H. C. Sanford.....	Sherrard.....	" ..	"
160	Moundsville.....	1	G. W. Grimes.....	Moundsville....	" ..	"
161	Moundsville Circ't.	1	C. E. Leatherby....	" ..	" ..	"
162	New Martinsville..	1	W. J. Harkness....	New Martinsv'e	Wetzel....	"
163	New Martinsv'e Ct.	2	A. E. Barnes (sup.)	" ..	" ..	"
164	Pleasant Valley....	1	To be supplied....	Pleasant Valley	Marshall..	"
165	Short Cr'k & Lib'ty	2	S. King.....	West Liberty..	Ohio	"
166	Triadelphphia.....	5	T. E. Galway.....	Triadelphia....	"	"
WHEELING.						
167	Chapline Street....	2	F. N. Lynch.....	Wheeling	"	"
168	Fourth Street.....	3	C. W. Cushing.....	"	"	"
169	North Street	2	W. G. Riheldaffer..	"	"	"
170	Thomson Church....	1	J. A. Fullerton....	"	"	"
171	Wesley Chapel.....	5	D. L. Ash.....	"	"	"
172	Zane Street.....	1	A. Moore.....	"	"	"

173. *H. R. Blaisdell, Pres't of Wheeling Female College, member of Fourth Street Quarterly Conference, Wheeling.*174 *R. B. Ward.*175 *S. K. Arbutnot.*176 *D. A. Denton.*177 *A. L. Curtis.*178 *C. E. Shaw.*179 *Rockliffe Mackintosh, and*180 *G. D. Smith, left without appointment to attend some one of our schools.*

Memoirs.

REV. JOHN W. HESS.

John W. Hess, of the West Virginia Conference, passed from labor to reward at Centerville, Tyler county, W. Va., Oct. 13, 1889, aged nearly fifty-six years. He attended the recent session of our Conference at Point Pleasant, and was feeling quite poorly soon after his arrival. He said but little of his condition, until he reached home at the close of Conference, when he was at once confined to bed with typhoid fever. His sufferings were severe, but he bore all with manly courage and Christian resignation. He was ready for the great change, and his departure was in full harmony with his consistent and devoted life. All that tender thoughtfulness on the part of his beloved wife and the brethren of his charge could do, was done with ready hands and sympathetic words. He was visited and comforted also by his nearest co-laborer, Brother Bribble, whose presence and prayers graciously helped to sustain him. Though apparently a strong man, his work in this world was done, and John W. Hess was transferred to the church of the saints triumphant in heaven.

He was a native of Virginia (now West Virginia); spent his early years on a farm; was converted when twenty-one years of age; entered the West Virginia Conference in 1869; was admitted into full connection and ordained Deacon in 1871, and was ordained Elder in 1873. With the exception of about three years, when he was a supernumerary, his life since his call to the ministry has been spent in earnest, successful work on our West Virginia circuits. At the time of his decease he had just been returned for the second year to Centerville circuit. He had previously traveled Elizabeth and Smithville circuits under the care of the writer, who was his Presiding Elder for the past four years.

Bro. Hess was an excellent preacher, and intensely loyal to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He never murmured, and submitted gracefully to whatever situation he was placed in. He was one of those whom we justly describe as "sweet spirited." And yet if any attack was at any time made upon our Church, he was bold and courageous in no small degree, and at once put on the armor of defense. He had a pleasant voice, was fluent and correct in the use of language, and wonderfully pathetic in prayer and exhortation. He was gifted in arranging the outlines of his sermons, and preached with unction and power. In conversation and manner he was quiet and unassuming, always ready to listen to others. He looked to the visits of the Presiding Elder with pleasure, and never failed to make those visits pleasant and profitable. He was not exacting, and never attempted to place too heavy burdens upon others.

Take him all in all, he was a true man, a good preacher, a devoted friend, a Pastor whose welcome to the homes of the people was always cordial. We shall miss him from our ranks,

and those of us who knew him best shall miss him most. He is mourned—and yet not without a blessed hope—by his devoted wife and an adopted daughter, and by a great multitude of Christian friends.

B. ISON, *Chairman*.

REV. D. W. SMITH.

Daniel Webster Smith passed away in holy triumph, Jan. 3, 1890. He was the son of Rev. Samuel F. and Keziah H. Smith, and was born in Dark county, O., May 10, 1859. His parents moved to West Virginia when he was quite a small boy, where they still reside, the father being a veteran local preacher. Very early in life Daniel was powerfully impressed with the importance of becoming religious and of consecrating himself to the service of the Master; he was convinced of his call to the ministry, even before he had a satisfactory evidence of his conversion. When quite young he joined the church.

From a child he was a close student, and lived an exemplary life. The writer knew him from a boy, and thinks he never knew a more devoted and untiring student. He was of more than ordinary strength of mind. After he had completed his course and taught in the public schools a few years, he attended Ohio Wesleyan University about three years, where he was a universal favorite. He was admitted to the West Virginia Conference in 1886, remaining in active ministry about two and a half years, serving Raleigh, Nicholas and Malden charges respectively, in the last of which he broke down about the middle of the year. Of his great joy in the Lord's work, his unwavering faith in God and his great grief at having to give up his work so soon, we will let him speak. In a personal note to the Editor of the *ADVOCATE* a week or two before his departure, he said: "I am but thirty years old; spent much time and hard earned means as a student in preparation for the Lord's service; greatly enjoyed my work during the two and a half years of my active ministry, and with a blessed religious experience I gloried in the cross, preaching Christ. But infinite wisdom has called me again—this time from the ministry to a better sphere, a higher school; and, after all my desire to live on in this glorious work, I am persuaded the second call, like the second birth, shall prove better than the first. It was to me a deeper disappointment than I can tell to be compelled last April to resign my charge, and turn my back upon the kind people of Malden, who had so nobly supported me, and tried to help me regain my health. But my faith has never faltered, and I confidently expect the greater reward. I have no fear of death; should be very much ashamed of myself if I had. It is hard for a young man to give up his books; but, long before the West Virginia Conference shall meet again, I shall be learning lessons that are not lawful for me now."

His last illness was disease of the spine, and his sufferings were very severe, but he never murmured, and his faith in God was unflinching to the last. When the end came he was ready; indeed, his faith seemed to pierce the veil and get glimpses of glorified ones on the other shore; he pointed in every direction, saying, "They are there." He then called his friends around him, and led them in prayer, in which he praised God for his glorious experience. He was fully con-

scious that the end was near, and arranged all his affairs intelligently, and then left himself in the hands of the Lord to await his own good time, which soon came to relieve him of his sufferings and take him to glory. Thus he passed away, right in the bloom of his manhood, one of the brightest and most promising young men of the West Virginia Conference.

C. R. SHACKELFORD.

G. R. COPELAND.

Rev. G. R. Copeland, Pastor of Littleton, Morgantown District, West Virginia Conference, died at the parsonage, August 20th, at 2:30 P. M., of heart disease.

He was born in 1847, in Ohio, was converted when 16 years old. He entered the West Va. Conference "On Trial" in 1877, and was received into "Full Connection" in 1879. He filled some of our best appointments—Huntington, Zane Street, Dallas, &c.

"The workmen die, but the work goes on."

He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss.

W. G. R.

MRS. C. R. SHACKELFORD.

Martha Shackelford, the daughter of John and Frances Smith, was born in Nicholas county, Va., Jan. 24, 1847. Her parents afterwards moved to what is now Roane county, W. Va., where she was raised. She was converted and joined the Church in September 1866. She and Brother Shackelford were married Dec. 24, 1868.

In all the relations of life she was faithful. As a wife, she was devoted, affectionate and kind. As a mother, none surpassed her in self-sacrificing devotion. As a Christian, her faith was strong in God, and always expected the blessed Father to do the best things for her. She never grew weary or despondent, for the "Lord's dear face shined upon her." In the fifteen years during which she shared with her husband the toils, sacrifices and trials of an itinerant's life, she never murmured. She had a deep interest in her husband's work, and when the way was dark and discouraging to him, she was always ready with words of encouragement and hope. A year ago Bishop Joice said, "Go, brethren, you are just as near Heaven in these mountains as anywhere in the world." She and her husband went; and in the beautiful valley of the Great Kanawha, on the twenty-first of December, 1889, Sister Shackelford laid down her armor and took up the harp of eternal life.

Death found her ready. On the morning of her death, she said to a friend by her side, "I'll soon be up yonder." She told her husband that she was soon to pass away, but that she was willing to submit to the call of her Master. She was pained to give up her children, but the Lord strengthened her with the promise of better things.

She sleeps beneath the trees where the wild flowers bloom, and where the running vine covers her grave, but her spirit is in Heaven clothed with immortality, life and light.

BENJ. ISON, *Chairman.*

E. D. HANNA, *Secretary.*

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Report of the Committee on Education.

Your Committee have had submitted to them documents, reports and other communications from the Board of Education of the Church, the Theological schools of Boston University, and Drew, Alleghany College, Ohio Wesleyan University, Beaver College and Medical Institute, Mt. Union and Pittsburgh Female College and Conservatory of Music.

The Female College at Wheeling, and Scio College, which has recently established a school of Pharmacy, a duplicate of that at Ann Arbor College, have been represented by Dr. Blaisdell and Dr. Dixon, the presidents of those Institutions. The reports from these various departments of Church work, are very gratifying and encouraging, but the limits of this paper preclude the privilege of saying the many favorable words which the subject demands.

We must refer those who are personally interested to the circulars which are issued by the Board of Education in regard to the collection for the General Educational Fund and the Children's Day. Every pastor should read these in order to be thoroughly informed and stimulated to duty.

In regard to the colleges which ask our patronage we can not discriminate. It would be unjust and invidious. We can not but hope for them all a wider field and a greater success. Our Theological schools have grown into huge dimensions. These seats of sanctified learning command our admiration and inspire our gratitude because of the blending of Bible piety with Bible study.

The schools of our State, from the University and the Normal schools, stationary and itinerant, down to the common schools, declare more emphatically than ever their efficiency and the favor which they have won from the people.

WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE SEMINARY.

With this necessarily brief allusion to the general educational interests of our church and state, your committee takes pleasure in presenting some thoughts in reference to an enterprise which has so recently come prominently to the front.

Our church, in common with other denominations, has strong convictions in reference to what are called denominational schools. We believe that all children, while in school, ought to have the supervision of christian instructors whose lives reflect Bible precepts and Bible piety. We deprecate with profound feeling the dangers which imperil the morals of youth in a Godless institution.

We have, therefore, labored for years to secure for the youth of our church, and of the community at large, an institution of learning where a high grade christian mental and moral culture, unwarped by bigotry and unenfeebled by sectarianism, may be obtained. That hope is now realized in the establishment and opening of our Conference Seminary. It is needless for us to reproduce in words what your ears have heard and your eyes have seen so recently of the outcome of these months of thought, anxiety, hopes, fears and prayer.

The Seminary starts off with a good attendance of a fine class of students of both sexes, representing fifteen counties. The various departments of the school are organized and doing excellent work. The best facilities for music and art have been provided and a fine normal department organized, besides the regular classical, scientific and literary course. A full faculty is industriously at work and the

first year of the school promises to exceed even the expectation of its warmest friends.

Impelled by an imperative sense of duty and overawed as well by a grave responsibility, we have been guided into the condition which it occurs to us is an inspiring crisis. A crisis which calls loudly on every member of the West Virginia Conference to march right up to the battle prepared and rejoicing to do or die. A crisis which calls on forty thousand Methodists and possibly, one hundred thousand friends of Methodism to come up to the help of the Lord, in this year 1890.

The Board of Trustees have presented a plan which long and arduous deliberation has suggested. Let no man's heart fail him. We earnestly urge that the first 60 days of the new Conference Year be religiously devoted to secure the amount asked for in the plan.

After the many assurances given in our public acts and votes, the Institution has a right to expect from every pastor that this duty will be conscientiously performed. When this first installment shall have been met, our people will be educated up to a higher realm of thought and duty, and this beautiful building which stands so gracefully in the Buckhannon valley will delight all observers and prove a powerful ally in framing esthetic tastes and enkindling holy aspirations after goodness and truth.

The committee recommend the increase of the number of the trustees of the Seminary by one laymen and nominate Charles W. Brockunier of Wheeling. We also recommend the appointment of the president of the Institution as a trustee ex-officio. To fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of S. P. McCormick we nominate J. Scott Withers of Glennville, W. Va.

We recommend the appointment of W. J. Holt as tutor in Scio College, and also the following special committees and boards.

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Board of Control—J. C. Bardall, L. H. Jordan, Samuel Woods and W. R. White.

OHIO WESLYAN UNIVERSITY.

Trustees.—J. A. Fullerton (1895), J. C. McGrew (1891), C. F. Scott (1892), G. W. Atkinson (1893), W. W. King (1894).

Visiting Committee—A. J. Lyda, F. N. Lynch.

MT. UNION COLLEGE.

Committee of—G. W. Atkinson, A. L. Wade, C. B. Graham.

Visiting Committee—W. G. Riheldaffer, M. W. Rider.

BEAVER FEMALE COLLEGES.

C. W. Cushing, E. H. Orwen.

WHEELING FEMALE COLLEGE.

J. H. Hess, C. B. Graham.

PITTSBURG FEMALE COLLEGE.

M. F. Dryden, B. Ison.

SCIO COLLEGE.

L. L. Stewart, J. W. W. Bolton, G. W. Grimes.

DREW THEOLOGICAL.

J. Lee, D. L. Ash.

WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE SEMINARY.

M. F. Dryden, E. D. Hanna, J. F. Chenoweth, C. W. Cushing, S. Ernest Jones, Hon. B. S. Morgan, Pastor at Parkersburg, Pastor at Charleston, and Hon. G. W. Atkinson.

WM. R. WHITE, *Chairman*.

To the West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

The Board of Trustees of the West Virginia Conference Seminary, deeply impressed with the necessity of providing some plan by which money can be raised to pay the accruing interest on its bonded debt, and the principal thereof at maturity; and for other necessary uses in the conduct and management of said Seminary, respectfully suggest the adoption by the Conference of the following plan: Assuming the amounts actually paid for ministerial support for the Conference year 1888-9, appearing by its minutes as a reasonable measure of the ability of the several circuits and stations, to raise the funds necessary for that purpose; and that an increase of not exceeding seven per centum of that amount will produce annually the sum of \$5,400, which in the opinion of this Board will be needed during each of the next eight years for the purpose hereinbefore stated, they respectfully recommend that the said amount be apportioned amongst the said several circuits and stations ratable by increasing the amount paid by them respectively by a sum equal to seven per centum of the amount thereof during the year 1888-9, which apportionment will be furnished each preacher.

And this Board believing that the members of the Church, when informed of the necessity of doing so, will cheerfully contribute the amount required for this purpose; and that the members of this Conference, in sympathy with, and understanding the needs of the said Seminary, will as cheerfully collect the same. And they further recommend that the Conference adopt and carry into execution the plan herein suggested, believing it to be the most certain and efficient mode of raising the funds necessary for the purposes hereinbefore stated. Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL WOODS, *President Board of Trustees.*

Report of the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath.

The committee on the observance of the Sabbath present the following report:

WHEREAS, We recognize the Sabbath as of Divine appointment, of perpetual obligation and fundamental to the perpetuity and success of Christianity. And, whereas, the continued and wide-spread desecration of this holy day must be subversive to the interest of humanity and grievous to God.

Resolved, I. That we are thoroughly in harmony with the Episcopal address and the resolutions of the last General Conference on Sabbath observance and that we hereby reaffirm the former deliverances of this annual conference on this subject.

Resolved II. That we are as much as ever opposed to the keeping open on Sunday of public and private offices, mercantile houses for the transaction of business, the publishing and selling of Sunday newspapers, the running of excursion trains or steamboats, charging gate fees at camp meetings, Sunday school conventions or other gatherings. And that we will not countenance by our presence or aid in any way any enterprise where the sanctity of the Sabbath is not properly observed.

Resolved, III. That we will by precept and example wholly discountenance the use of Sunday railroad trains and steamboats, and believe it to be the duty of the State to require all railroad companies to at least reduce such Sunday traffic to the minimum. Furthermore, that we will use our influence to induce the civil officers to a more strict execution of existing laws relating to Sabbath observance.

Resolved IV. That we, as a Conference, representing a membership of 45,000 enter our solemn protest against the proposal to keep open on the Sabbath the World's Fair to be held in Chicago in 1892; regarding such a proposal if carried out as a public calamity and national disgrace; and further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Secretary of this Conference to the Chairman of the World's Fair Committee. Respectfully submitted,

L. W. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

N. H. PRINCE,
Chairman.

Report on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance present the following report:

WHEREAS, The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor is the most prolific source of crime and wretchedness, and is wrecking the homes and happiness of our people; destroying the lives and souls of multitudes, endangering the safety of the commonwealth, and impeding the progress of the gospel, therefore be it

Resolved, 1st. That we are uncompromisingly opposed to license, either high or low, and that we re-affirm the immortal words of our chief pastors, "the traffic in intoxicating liquors cannot be legalized without sin."

Resolved, 2d. That we will use all possible diligence to secure the enforcement of existing laws for the destruction of this tremendous evil.

Resolved, 3d. That it is the sense of this Conference, "that complete legal prohibition is the duty of civil government," and that therefore no christian man can consistently give his ballot in support of any political organization that is in league with the liquor traffic.

Resolved, 4th. That we recognize the great good that is being done by the W. C. T. U. and other Temperance organizations, moral and religious, assuring them of our sympathies, co-operation and prayers in their efforts to redeem our land from the curse of rum.

Resolved, 5th. That we recommend the organization of a citizens' Law and Order League in every community where liquor is sold, to enforce the laws against selling to minors, habitual drunkards, and on the holy Sabbath day.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. SHAW, *Pres.*

J. HENRY HESS, *Sec.*

Report of the Committee on the Bible Cause.

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society, instituted in 1816, has been the chief source of supplying our own people, as well as many others, with the Sacred Scriptures, and

WHEREAS, It is non-sectarian and far-reaching, publishing the Bible without note or comment, and therefore being suited to all denominations of christians alike, therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we as christian ministers, express our hearty sympathy with the continuous efforts of the society in publishing and disseminating the Sacred Scriptures through all lands and in all dialects.

Resolved, 2d. That we as pastors will give the Bible cause due consideration in presenting its claims to our people.

Resolved, 3d. That we will use our influence to have our Sunday Schools supplied with the Sacred Scriptures, and that Bible classes be organized wherever practicable.

B. F. ROGERS, *Pres.*

A. D. PERRY, *Sec.*

On Parsonages and Furniture.

We, the Committee on Parsonages and Furniture submit the following:

WHEREAS, About sixty charges within the bounds of the Conference have parsonage property, and

WHEREAS, All the members of the Conference are men of families, except about a score of young men, and often great inconvenience and trouble is experienced where there is no Parsonage, and

WHEREAS, A good Parsonage, well located and designed, with furniture and needful appurtenances is a valuable addition to the temporary wealth and prosperity of any charge, and to the permanent stability and respectability of the church and Conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we, as Presiding Elders and Preachers, where no such property exists, will employ increased interest and discretion in securing suitable property of this kind to the Church, while the tide and spirit of improvement is rising in our State.

LEVI CROSS, *Chairman*.

E. C. WOODRUFF, *Sec.*

Report of the Board of Stewards.

To the West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

The Board of Stewards having examined the reports from the several districts and charges, report the following amounts received for Conference claimants, to-wit:

From Buckhannon District.....	\$182 00
“ Charleston “	81 00
“ Clarksburg “	147 00
“ Guyandotte “	46 00
“ Morgantown “	184 00
“ New River “	23 00
“ Oakland “	171 00
“ Parkersburg “	224 00
“ Wheeling “	734 31
Total Received from Districts.....	\$1,792 50
Received from dividends from Book Concern.....	1,174 00
“ “ chartered fund.....	30 00
“ “ Pittsburg Christian Advocate.....	161 50
“ “ Interest on Permanent Fund.....	186 00
Total received.....	\$3,344 00

TO WHOM PAID.

To Widow Blundon.....	\$ 1 00	Paid to.....	A. Mick.
“ “ Richmond.....	80 00	“	H. C. Sanford.
“ “ Burns.....	20 00	“	Secretary.
“ “ Irwin.....	100 00	“	J. W. W. Bolton.
“ Children Wid. Hartley.....	280 00	“	D. S. Hammond.
“ Widow Monroe.....	100 00	“	A. J. Lyda.
“ “ Weaver.....	150 00	“	Secretary.
“ “ Young.....	228 00	“	N. H. Prince.
“ “ Parriot.....	150 00	“	Secretary.
“ “ Heaston.....	100 00	“	Secretary.

To	Widow Steele.....	150 00	Paid to.....	B. B. Evans.
"	" Laughlin.....	50 00	"	J. N. Sharp.
"	" Heatherly.....	10 00	"	A. Merrells.
"	" Conner.....	100 00	"	Joseph Lee.
"	" Kurtz.....	75 00	"	Secretary.
"	" Ryan.....	50 00	"	J. J. White.
"	" Copeland.....	30 00	"	J. F. Chenoweth.
"	" Hess.....	50 00	"	Secretary.
"	Rev. J. J. Dolliver.....	25 00	"	Secretary.
"	" B. Hager.....	75 00	"	H. C. McWhorter.
"	" R. L. Brooks.....	100 00	"	Secretary.
"	" D. S. Benedum.....	80 00	"	Dr. Conway.
"	" W. Wriston.....	50 00	"	Secretary.
"	" George Crossfield...	25 00	"	J. A. Fullerton.
"	" R. Northcraft.....	150 00	"	Self.
"	" J. T. Carroll.....	90 00	"	A. Mick.
"	" R. M. Wallace.....	150 00	"	Self.
"	" Asbury Stevens.....	75 00	"	S. Eli Jones.
"	" T. H. Trainer.....	150 00	"	J. A. Fullerton.
"	" J. L. Clark.....	150 00	"	S. J. Cotton.
"	O. B. Hughes, son of			
"	Rev. F. M. Hughes.....	10 00	"	F. N. Lynch.
"	Son of Widow Hughes.	10 00	"	W. E. Lovett.
"	Rev. John Conwell.....	125 00	"	S. Eli Jones.
"	" Vanlinden Sanford	50 00	"	B. Darlington.
"	" R. Brooks.....	85 00	"	B. Darlington.
"	" J. W. Webb.....	40 00	"	W. R. White.
"	" B. Ison.....	75 00	"	Self.
"	" M. McNeal.....	20 00	"	A. L. Ireland.
"	" W. D. Carrico.....	20 00	"	Self.
"	" Thos. Nutter.....	20 00	"	F. H. J. King.
"	" M. Taylor.....	20 00	"	G. L. Carder.
"	" B. N. Fitzwaters.....	16 00	"	J. M. Grose.

Total.....\$3,344 00

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. McWHORTER, *Secretary.*

F. H. J. KING, *Chairman.*

**Annual Report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, West
Virginia Conference Division.**

BY MRS. C. E. JACKSON, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

Wheeling District.—Mrs. S. E. Moore, Secretary.

Fourth Street (including Thoburn Band).....	\$210 60
Thomson Chapel, (Island).....	45 00
Zane Street, (including Butler Band).....	30 75
Wesley	20 70
McClean Chapel.....	32 50
Triadelphia, (including Little Gleaners).....	41 64
Benwood. Fear Not Band.....	37 59
Moundsville.....	120 24
King's Daughters, Moundsville.....	51 06

Total for Wheeling District.....	\$590 08
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Huntington, total for year.....	45 50
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Parkersburg, total for year.....	80 05
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Morgantown District.—Mrs. F. Heermans, Secretary.

Kingwood, (including Busy Bees).....	\$81 60
Arnettville	7 00
Grafton.....	11 25
Palatine.....	16 00
Morgantown.....	16 25
Albrightsville, (in Oakland District).....	34 59
Cash from Mrs. Stewart.....	2 50
Ethel Bonnafield's Mite Box.....	1 63
Cash. (Received)	1 65

Total for Morgantown District.....	\$172 47
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Collections of Conference, not received in time for last year's report:

Conference Envelopes.....	\$29 40
Cash. (Received).....	3 02

RECAPITULATION.

Wheeling District	\$590 08
Morgantown "	172 47
Huntington	45 50
Parkersburg	80 00
Conference Envelopes.....	29 40
Cash. (Received).....	3 02

Total	\$920 47
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The above amount, \$920.47 (nine hundred and twenty dollars and forty-seven cents), has been remitted to Mrs. W. B. Davis, Branch Treasurer, Cincinnati, in several different amounts, for which I hold her receipts.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. E. JACKSON, *Sec'y and Treas.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

RECAPITULATION 1890.

Names of Charges.	Missionary Society.		Board of Church Extension.		Sunday-School Union.		Tract Society.		Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society.		Education.		Bible Society.	
	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher
Buckhannon.....	\$583 65		\$71 00	\$8 00	\$19 00	\$2 00	\$16 40		\$46 00	\$8 00	\$38 00	\$11 80	\$4 00	\$23 00
Charleston	240 00		28 00	10 00	9 00		7 00		24 00		18 00	28 00	4 90	23 00
Clarksburg.....	534 30		41 52	10 00	14 00		14 00		27 00		28 71	9 29	7 00	26 00
Guyandotte	170 00		32 00		3 00		3 00		18 00		4 00	5 00		11 00
Morgantown.....	517 00	\$60 00	28 00	22 00	11 00	3 00	10 00		34 00	18 00	37 85	22 15	5 00	37 00
New River.....	115 00		18 50		1 50		1 00		4 50		5 00	8 00	1 00	
Oakland.....	351 30	53 70	46 00	19 00	13 00	1 00	13 00	\$3 00	41 00		21 00	9 00	7 12	8 62
Parkersburg.....	1,188 00		68 00	22 00	20 50		18 50		65 00		36 77	53 33	2 50	23 00
Wheeling.....	1,734 00	205 00	283 77	260 00	58 00		56 00		183 00	26 00	40 00	220 25	17 00	79 50
Total.....	\$5,433 25	\$318 70	\$616 79	\$351 00	\$149 00	\$6 00	\$138 90	\$3 00	\$342 50	\$52 00	\$229 33	\$366 82	\$47 62	\$233 13
Last year.....	5,097 30		493 75		129 25		116 75		406 75		378 85		288 80	
Increase	\$654 65		\$474 04		\$25 75		25 25				\$217 30			
Decrease.....									\$12 25				\$10 06	

Secretary's Financial Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash over from last year.....	\$127 55
Collection for Secretary at Conference.....	6 36
Received from the preachers.....	142 91
Net receipts from advertisements.....	170 00
Total.....	\$446 82

EXPENSES.

Printing 2,000 copies of the Minutes and expense of sending out the same, including postage during the year.....	\$321 75
Conference trunk, blanks, envelopes and sending out same.....	18 70
	\$340 45
Due Conference Seminary on the \$100.00 subscription..	33 34
	—————\$373 79
Balance in Secretary's hands after this is paid.....	\$ 73 03

W. G. RHELDAFFER, *Sec'y.***Report of the Committee on Freedmans' Aid and Southern Educational Society.**

Thankful for the great accomplishments of the past and recognizing the duty of continuing as a church, our work in behalf of the uneducated of the South, we your committee offer the following.

RESOLVED, That we the members of the Conference pledge ourselves to present diligently the claims and needs of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational Society, and we urge our people to increased liberality in its behalf, and will also commend the same to the generosity of the general public in our several charges.

That we acknowledge with gratitude the generosity of the Society in donating our annual collections to the West Virginia Conference Seminary.

C. POLING, *Chairman.*C. E. CLARK, *Secretary.***REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COLLECTION FOR THE F. A. AND S. E. SOCIETY.**

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Hartzell, Secretary of said Society, has given his consent to the West Virginia Conference and also to private parties, to the effect that all monies collected from the congregations within the bounds of our work for said Society, should be appropriated for five consecutive years to the Conference Seminary; and

Whereas, In view of such assurances, the facts have been announced and appeals made in all good faith to our congregations through the church papers and from our pulpits, urging large liberality, because such money would go into the treasury of the Conference Seminary; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that all money thus collected should be paid into the hands of the Seminary Treasurer, until the five years expire. And it is thus ordered.

J. A. FULLERTON,
*Secretary.*A. J. LYDA,
Chairman.

APPORTIONMENT OF BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

DISTRICTS.	Conference Claimants.	Bishops.	Missionary.	Church Extension.	F. Aid and So. Ed. Fund.	S. S. Union.	Tract Society.	General Conf. Expenses.
Buckhannon.....	\$ 310 00	\$ 121 00	\$ 685 00	\$ 105 00	\$ 105 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 52 00
Charleston.....	243 00	96 00	515 00	80 00	88 00	20 00	20 00	40 00
Clarksburg.....	354 00	143 00	793 00	115 00	117 00	30 00	30 00	58 00
Guyandotte.....	180 00	68 00	400 00	60 00	56 00	13 00	13 00	30 00
Morgantown.....	354 00	149 00	793 00	119 00	125 00	30 00	30 00	59 00
New River.....	150 00	60 00	350 00	51 00	50 00	12 00	12 00	26 00
Oakland.....	242 00	94 00	520 00	80 00	82 00	25 00	25 00	40 00
Parkersburg.....	369 00	143 00	793 00	122 00	197 00	30 00	30 00	61 00
Wheeling.....	800 00	210 00	1751 00	267 00	280 00	40 00	40 00	133 00
Total.....	\$3002 00	\$1084 00	\$6600 00	\$1000 00	\$1100 00	\$225 00	\$ 225 00	\$ 499 00

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

Cairo.....	\$ 40 00	Kanawha.....	\$ 40 00
Mt. Pleasant.....	50 00	Newark.....	50 00
Pleasants.....	40 00	Van Camp.....	50 00
Williamstown.....	50 00		
Total.....			\$320 00

WHEELING DISTRICT.

Fulton.....	\$ 75 00	Moundsville Circuit.....	\$ 55 00
New Martinsville Circuit.....	75 00	New Martinsville.....	50 00
Total.....			\$255 00

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

Barbour.....	\$ 51 00	Belington.....	\$ 20 00
Beverly.....	45 00	Braxton.....	25 00
Canaan.....	40 00	East Buckhannon.....	35 00
Helvetia.....	50 00	Mingo.....	60 00
South Buckhannon.....	25 00	Weston circuit.....	50 00
Freemansburg.....	20 00		
Total.....			\$421 00

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Enterprise.....	\$ 50 00	Marion.....	\$ 60 00
Monroga.....	50 00	Pine Grove.....	50 00
Salem.....	50 00	Smithton.....	90 00
Total.....			\$350 00

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

District.....	\$166 00	Danville.....	\$ 50 00
East Charleston.....	50 00	Fishers Point.....	75 00
Noble.....	50 00	Raymond City.....	75 00
Ripley.....	100 00	Walton.....	50 00
Calhoun.....	50 00		
Total.....			\$660 00

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

Cassville.....	\$ 60 00	Ceredo.....	\$ 65 00
Coalburg.....	35 00	Coal River.....	45 00
East Hamlin.....	20 00	Fairfield.....	35 00
Guyandotte.....	90 00	Hamlen.....	65 00
Huntington District.....	250 00	Huntington Circuit.....	65 00
Milton.....	100 00	Monticelo.....	100 00
St. Albans.....	100 00	Winfield.....	70 00
Total.....			\$1,110 00

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

Littleton.....	\$ 90 00	Masontown	\$ 70 00
Mt. Zion.....	22 00	Palatine.....	50 00
Tunelton.....	90 00		
		Total.....	\$322 00

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Boone.....	\$ 50 00	Clay.....	\$ 91 00
Concord.....	100 00	District.....	200 00
Fayette.....	50 00	Flat Top.....	65 00
Hinchmans.....	80 00	Hinton.....	120 00
Oceana.....	100 00	Oilville.....	100 00
Ophelia.....	60 00	Pleasant Retreat.....	25 00
Raleigh.....	25 00		
		Total.....	\$1066 00

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

Albrightsville.....	\$ 40 00	Aurora.....	\$ 25 00
Cranesville.....	25 00	Deer Park.....	110 00
Hambleton.....	50 00	Hannahsville	75 00
Red Creek	50 00	Rowlesburg.....	50 00
Terra Alta.....	75 00		
		Total.....	\$500 00

S. ERNEST JONES,
Secretary.

J. M. WARDEN,
Chairman.

I concur in the above appropriations.

CYRUS D. FOSS.

Report on Missions.

We recognize the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church as an institution designed to carry out the spirit of the Gospel in the dissemination of truth and the universal extension of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. And with the ever increasing demands made upon our Missionary Board, we are more profoundly impressed than ever with the increased responsibility under which the Church is placed to furnish the Board the necessary amount to send out the requisite number of missionaries to occupy the new fields that have been and are now being opened to the church, and to plant every where the standard of the Redeemer; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we recommend the organization of all our Sunday Schools into Missionary Societies, as the Discipline of the church provides, and that every possible effort be made to develop the Missionary spirit among the young people of our church.

Resolved, 2d. That as pastors and presiding elders we will arrange for the holding of Missionary meetings on our charges and districts, for the discussion of this great question of Christain Missions and the general information of our people on this most important subject.

Resolved, 3d. That we will put forth the greatest efforts to circulate our Missionary literature among the people, and thus increase popular intelligence in regard to our Mission work at home and in foreign fields.

Resolved, 4th. That as pastors we will raise the full apportionments of our respective charges, and seek as speedily as possible to place the West Virginia Conference among the banner conferences of the church.

M. F. DRYDEN, *President.*

N. L. BAUMGARDNER, *Secretary.*

Periodicals and Book Accounts.

Your committee on Periodicals and Book accounts have examined the report of the Book committee and exhibit of Book Concerns of New York and Cincinnati for the year 1889, and from these and other sources of information, we are truly grateful to be able to report our publishing enterprises in a highly prosperous condition. We are justly proud that the Methodist Episcopal Church owns probably "the most complete and best appointed religious publishing house in the world." All our property is steadily increasing in value; there is a large increase in the demand for and sales of our books; our periodicals have a greatly increased circulation, thus supplying a larger number of the families of our people with a pure and elevating literature. Our Sunday schools are more generally supplied with our own literature.

We rejoice in the great prosperity which has thus far attended the great publishing interests of the church. We recommend that, by the adoption of this report, we pledge ourselves to make an earnest effort in all our Charges to secure from our people a still higher appreciation and better patronage of our Books and Papers.

TAYLOR RICHMOND,
Secretary.

P. C. MAYS,
Chairman.

Sunday School Union and Tract Societies.

We, your committee on Sunday School Union and Tract Societies, are profoundly impressed with the great need, as well as the utility and practicability of the work proposed by these two agencies of the Church.

Resolved, That as co-workers together, we will make a prompt, energetic effort to meet the apportionments assigned to our respective charges.

E. S. WITHERS, *Chairman.*

J. H. REDMON, *Sec'y.*

Loan and Educational Fund.

We the committee have considered and granted the following applicants:

To Geo. S. Richardson.....	\$100 00
" J. F. Chenoweth.....	150 00
" Hough Houston.....	100 00
Total	\$350 00

We the committee recommend that the amount remaining in the hands of the treasurer, after paying the above accounts, may be disbursed to assist students in our Conference Seminary, by the following named committee: L. H. Jordan, P. E., Prest. B. M. Hutchinson, J. L. Clark.

B. ISON, *Chairman.*

Report of Treasurer of Educational Society.

WESTON, OCT. 2d, 1890.

By the order of the Conference at its last session, I loaned to the following brethren the sums affixed to their names, the Conference having approved of their notes and securities: H. Houston, \$100.00; George E. Fisher, \$100.00; T. E. Galway, \$100.00.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer.*

Funds for the Publication of the Minutes.

We the committee on receiving funds for the publication of the Conference Minutes, having canvassed our respective Districts, report the following:

Wheeling District,	\$10 75	cash.	\$3 00	subscription.
Charleston "	4 50	"	1 00	"
Oakland "	7 75	"	2 00	"
Morgantown "	8 00	"	2 00	"
New River "	3 75	"	4 00	"
Buckhannon "	7 00	"	3 50	"
Parkersburg "	7 20	"	2 00	"
Clarksburg "	5 50	"	4 50	"
Guyandotte "	5 00	"	6 00	"
Totals.....	\$59 45		\$28 00	

J. S. ROBINSON, *Chairman*.

E. R. SKIDMORE, *Sec'y*.

District Conference Journals.

We, the Committee on District Conference Journals, met and only one Journal being handed in, that of the Oakland District, after careful examination of the same, find it neatly and carefully kept.

C. B. MEREDITH.

C. W. COX, *Secretary*.

On Presiding Elders' Accounts.

Your Committee, having examined the Presiding Elders' Accounts, find them all correct.

BENJ. ISON, *Chairman*.

Report of Eichelburger Committee.

The Committee in the case of J. T. Eichelburger who left his work during the year, having considered the case report as follows:

That while we cannot wholly justify him in the course he pursued, yet in view of his embarrassments and the gloomy prospects for a support, we recommend that his character pass.

C. POLING, *Chairman*.

M. W. RIDER, *Secretary*.

October 4, 1890.

Chaplaincy.

Report of the Committee to which was referred certain papers relating to the Chaplaincy in the United States army, beg leave to report as follows;

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the Government to make provision for the moral and religious instruction of the army; and

WHEREAS, There is a bill pending in Congress providing for an increase of army chaplains, and believing the passage of said bill would be the best method by which to promote the above object; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we respectfully and earnestly appeal to our Congressmen to call up said bill from the Calendar and urge its immediate passage.

Resolved, 2d. That the Secretary of this Conference be requested to transmit a copy of this report to each member of Congress from West Virginia at an early day.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. W. BOLTON,
W. E. LOVETT,
A. J. LYDA.

Report on Veterans' Fund.

The Committee on Conference Claimants and Veterans' Day, submit the following report:

And it is desired that some plan should be adopted to promote the financial welfare of the Superannuated Preachers or Veterans of our Annual Conferences, we recommend

(1.) That a Veterans' Anniversary be held at each Annual Conference.

(2.) That a Veterans' Day be observed in each Charge during the month of May.

(3.) That a Veterans' Relief Fund be raised which shall be under Conference control, the interest of which only can be used.

JOSEPH LEE.

J. A. FULLERTON.

Report of the Treasurer of the Permanent Fund.

WESTON, Oct. 2nd, 1890.

There have been no additions made to the Permanent Fund the past year. The interest collected amounting to \$180.00, has been paid over to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer.*

Resolutions.

Resolved, That as a Conference we express our hearty thanks to the various railroads for their favors in low rates.

D. L. ASH,
W. W. KING,
L. L. STEWART,
A. MOORE.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to the people of this town, for their kindness and hospitality, and for their free and splendid entertainment of the Conference in their homes.

W. WIRT KING,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. L. ASH,
J. W. W. BOLTON.

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, return our thanks to Rev. B. B. Evans for the attention which he has given to our entertainment and for the very happy and successful manner in which he has accomplished his work.

W. WIRT KING,
F. N. LYNCH,
D. L. ASH,
J. W. W. BOLTON.

WHEREAS, This is the first visit to our Conference, of Bishop C. D. FOSS, D. D., LL. D., and whereas his coming among us has been to us a benediction; therefore

Resolved, That as a Conference we trust that his visits to us may be frequent and we pray that the Great Head of the Church may spare him many years to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

D. L. ASH,
W. WIRT KING,
F. N. LYNCH,
L. L. STEWART,
DR. J. W. W. BOLTON.

WHEREAS, Our brother, Dr. G. E. Hite, after nineteen years of faithful service in this Conference is about to leave us for another field of labor.

Resolved, That we recognize in him an earnest and eloquent preacher, a successful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ—a man of very superior character and a brother who holds a large place in our hearts. We shall always rejoice in his continued and increasing success and shall gladly learn that in the strong and influential church to which he goes his history continues as marked for usefulness as among us.

J. A. FULLERTON,
W. WIRT KING,
CHAS. W. CUSHING,
W. R. WHITE.



DIRECTORY.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH
George E. Fisher.....				
J. H. Stratton.....				
B. F. Rogers.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	W. Va.....	Palatine.....
Gilbert Rogers.....	Burnersville.....	Barbour.....	W. Va.....	
T. H. Clark.....				
J. T. Eichelberger.....				
Marion Taylor.....				
S. R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	W. Va.....	Ellenboro.....
S. Hitchens.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia.....	".....	Morgantown.....
R. L. Woodyard.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	".....	Valley Mills.....
W. R. White.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	".....	Fairmont.....
Benj. Ison.....	Oakland.....	Garrett.....	Md.....	Oakland.....

SUPERANNUATED.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CON- NECTED WITH
D. S. Benedum.....	Cherry Camp.....	Harrison.....	W. Va.....	Cherry Camp.....
John Birkett.....	Holton.....		Kansas.....	Holton.....
Robert Brooks.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.....	St. Albans.....
R. L. Brooks.....	Selbyville.....	Upshur.....	".....	Canaan.....
George Crossfield.....	Berkeley Spr'gs.....	Morgan.....	".....	Berkel's Spr'gs.....
J. T. Carroll.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	".....	Coal River.....
J. J. Dolliver.....	Ft. Dodge.....	Webster.....	Iowa.....	Ft. Dodge.....
Benj. Hagar.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.....	Charleston.....
L. E. Leslie.....	Oak Hill.....	Fayette.....	".....	Fayette.....
D. A. McGinnis.....	Mole Hill.....	Ritchie.....	".....	Centreville.....
M. McNeel.....	Smithville.....	".....	".....	Smithville.....
R. Northcraft.....	Smithville.....	".....	".....	Smithville.....
J. P. Pinchen.....	West Milford.....	Harrison.....	".....	West Milford.....
John W. Reger.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	".....	Buckhannon.....
V. Sanford.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	".....	Charleston.....
H. Scott.....	Malden.....	".....	".....	Malden.....
A. Stevens.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	".....	Palatine.....
T. H. Trainer.....	Duke.....	Monongalia.....	".....	Monongalia.....
J. W. Webb.....	Clarksburg.....	Harrison.....	".....	
J. T. Davis.....				
A. T. Morriston.....				
Wm. Wriston.....	Mossey.....	Fayette.....	W. Va.....	Fayette.....
J. A. Williams.....	West Milford.....	Harrison.....	".....	West Milford.....
R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg.....	".....	".....	Clarksburg.....
J. L. Clark.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	".....	Parkersburg.....
John Conwell.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	".....	Palatine.....

WIDOWS WHO ARE CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

No.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns.....	Dayton.....	Montgomery..	Ohio.
2	Ellen Irwin.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	West Va.
3	Sarah F. Blundon.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	"
4	Eliza J. Richmond.....	Dallas.....	Marshall.....	"
5	Selina Monroe.....	Point Pleasant.....	Mason.....	"
6	Laura Heatherly.....	Round Bottom.....	Wayne.....	"
7	Sidney Weaver.....	Bridgeton.....	Cumberland.....	New Jersey.
8	Jane Parriott.....	Cameron.....	Marshall.....	West Va.
9	Elmonah Young.....	French Creek.....	Upshur.....	"
10	Mary C. Heaston.....	Connotton.....	Harrison.....	Ohio.
11	Sadie E. Beckley.....	Falls of Twelve P'le.....	Wayne.....	West Va.
12	Mrs. J. Laughlin.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Maryland.
13	Victoria Steele.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	West Va.
14	Margaret Conner.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall.....	"
15	Annie McKurtz.....	Cleveland.....	Cuyahoga.....	Ohio.
16	Adeline Ryan.....	Walton.....	Roane.....	West Va.
17	Priscilla M. Hess.....	Smithfield.....	Ritchie.....	"
18	D. W. Smith.....	Malden.....	Kanawha.....	"
19	Minnie A. Copeland.....	Jerusalem.....		Ohio.

ROLL OF THE HONORED DEAD OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at time of Death.	Age.	Years in the Ministry.
1	George Deemer.....	Wayne County, West Virginia.....	October 9, 1851.....	Effective.....	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge.....	Granville, ".....	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burn.....	South Wheeling, ".....	December 25, 1854.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 29, 1855.....	Superannuated.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, West Va.....	April 3, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, West Va.....	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, ".....	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	6
8	James A. Young.....	Near Shinnston, ".....	June 17, 1857.....	On Trial.....	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.....	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood, West Va.....	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	4
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, ".....	1868.....	Effective.....	7	
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumb rport.....	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, ".....	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	45	6
16	John L. Irwin.....	Fairmont, ".....	April 26, 1871.....	Effective.....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, ".....	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs.....	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, ".....	March 16, 1874.....	Effective.....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, ".....	May 3, 1875.....	Effective.....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshall County, ".....	November 29, 1875.....	Superannuated.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	March 17, 1878.....	Effective.....	56	28
24	J. G. Blair.....	Fairmont, ".....	December 23, 1878.....	Effective.....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, ".....	September 13, 1879.....	Effective.....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, ".....	1881.....	Superannuated.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, West Va.....	March 21, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., West Va.....	December 13, 1882.....	Superannuated.....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	Superannuated.....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, West Va.....	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, ".....	May, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	14
33	David M. Heaston.....	Buckhannon, ".....	November 11, 1884.....	Effective.....	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley.....	Charleston, ".....	October 16, 1885.....	Effective.....	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	March 7, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	41	14
36	Samuel Steele.....	Buckhannon, West Va.....	May 24, 1886.....	Effective.....	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon.....	Near Eountain Cove, West Va.....	February, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin.....	Greene County, Pennsylvania.....	January 17, 1887.....	Superannuated.....	74	40
39	Calvin Conner.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	December 28, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	67	36
40	John C. Kurtz.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	April 16, 1887.....	Effective.....	36	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan.....	Roane County, West Va.....	October 14, 1887.....	Effective.....	54	14
42	John B. West.....	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	Superannuated.....	90	67
43	John W. Hess.....	Centerville, Tyler County, W. Va.....	October 13, 1889.....	Effective.....	56	20
44	Daniel W. Smith.....	Malden, W. Va.....	January 3, 1890.....	Superannuated.....	31	3
45	George R. Copeland.....	Hundred, ".....	August 20, 1890.....	Effective.....	43	13

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

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BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

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BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.							S. Schools.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												Minist'ial Support.				
	Ne. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.		No. Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches, and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'n Property.	Present Indebtedness On Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	Number of Scholars.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society.	For Women's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Women's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.
																			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.	15	220	1	2	2	28	4	\$ 2125	..	..	818			\$ 7	4	35	168	\$ 12	\$ 12	\$ 12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	140	1	1
Barbour.....	11	477	5	4	2	12	6	3700			1000			25	8	68	460	16	16	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	277	2	2
Bellington.....	3	415	4	3	1	104	1	300	.....	.....	500	.....	\$ 1400	.....	6	28	24	10	15	25	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	574	2	2	
Beverly.....	23	224	1	4	1	10	3	3000	.....	.....	1200	.....	75	12	3	25	90	12	8	20	20	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	264	2	2	
Braxton.....	22	307	2	2	7	26	1	7000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	1	18	200	28	52	80	42	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	894	30	30	
Buckhannon.....	9	405	1	2	2	8	8	8000	1	\$ 900	50	.....	400	25	2	64	410	35	5	40	50	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	566	15	15	
Buckhannon Circuit.....	15	285	1	2	1	6	6	2500	1	500	500	.....	.....	25	8	65	432	10	10	20	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	320	242	242	
Canaan.....	14	361	2	4	1	4	7	3900	1	425	900	\$ 93	.....	25	9	81	296	.....	30	30	44	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	345	6	6	
East Buckhannon.....	45	293	4	3	6	15	8	5500	1	500	530	.....	.....	40	5	46	287	6	6	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	603	10	10	
Freemansburg.....	15	398	2	2	1	29	6	4000	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	6	9	294	37	6	43	43	43	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	149	10	10	
Frenchton.....	26	267	2	4	1	6	7	1800	.....	.....	500	.....	400	25	5	56	312	.....	13	13	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	438	10	10	
Glady.....	16	385	2	4	1	23	6	3800	1	1000	1300	.....	275	30	6	37	350	20	.....	20	20	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	124	3	3	
Glenville.....	33	120	1	1	1	1	1	700	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	4	30	183	17	.....	17	17	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	114	2	2	
Helvetia.....	21	62	2	1	6	8	1	700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	35	15	.....	15	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	562	5	5	
Mingo.....	18	304	1	1	1	12	5	3300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	47	281	40	.....	40	40	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	555	15	15	
Philippi.....	23	321	1	4	1	18	5	2500	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	7	62	335	.....	40	40	40	40	40	3	3	1	1	2	3	620	10	10	
South Buckhannon.....	75	390	1	2	8	15	6	5000	1	900	400	445	340	30	6	40	255	6	10	16	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	519	6	6	
Sutton.....	107	480	2	2	10	7	6000	1	1000	.....	25	81	.....	20	3	78	515	40	.....	40	40	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	207	12	12	
Troy.....	19	243	1	5	18	52	1	600	1	500	165	15	30	.....	5	48	219	35	.....	35	35	2	2	2	5	.....	.....	950	25	25		
Webster.....	19	192	1	2	4	2	1	5000	1	3500	200	.....	.....	75	1	16	160	30	35	65	6	2	2	6	8	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Weston.....	509	6149	36	51	55	388	90	\$69425	10	\$10225	\$8963	634	\$ 2520	\$839	107	898	5306	\$369	\$232	\$601	\$ 80	\$ 21	\$ 16	\$ 58	\$ 43	\$ 21	5	2	8461	182	10	

CHARLESTON AND CLARKSBURG DISTRICTS.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Calhoun	14	258	3	1	1	2	\$ 600	400					7	35	226	3	\$ 3													
Charleston	2	276	2	1	12	1	13000			\$ 2400	\$225		1	39	369	38	\$ 52	90	\$ 16	\$ 3	2	\$ 5	\$2	12	1230	35	20			
Charleston Circuit	39	242	5	5	7	3	3000	1	\$ 350		26		4	31	265	4	2	6	2	1	1	1			455	4				
Clifton and Mason		280	2	6	1	3	7500	1	550	250	75		3	33	325	6	6	12	2	1	1	3	3		607	2				
Danaville	12	116	2	2	1	1	600			5	25		3	24	120	6		2			1				362	3				
East Charleston	76	314	4	7	8	1	150			50			5	37	236	3		3			1				302	4				
Fisher's Point	26	177	1	6	1	13	1			30	15		3	26	90	12		12	1		1				666	5				
Hartford City	10	250		5	4	3	4000	1	800		100	70	3	39	250	6	4	10	1		1	3	9		426	4				
Jackson Circuit	20	388		5	8	30	5	3700		100	400	45	9	82	360	15	2	17	2	1		2		1	243	2				
Leon	2	200	4	1			3000						4	32	160	5		5							504	7				
Malden	5	58	1	3	1	4	1	2375	1	700	375		25	1	8	18		18	3	1	1	3	11		531	6	74			
Point Pleasant	10	125	1	1	15	2	5600	2	4000	1134	1611	3904	76	2	19	140		50	10	2	2	4	16	3	783	7				
Ravenswood	40	384	2	5	2	5	3600	1	1500	350		100	7	63	370	15	5	20	2	1	1	4	1	3	1	265	2			
Raymond City	5	70	1	2			1	1500		100		350	1	6	50	4		4	2						447	1				
Ripley	86	193	1	2			6	3400		400			4	40	20	18	2	20	4	1	1	4	2	1		597	3			
Spencer	28	321	7	6	26	5	3750	1	1500	550		300	7	49	245	2		17	1		1	1			411	2				
Walton	60	268	2	4	6					100		300	3	23	90			2												
Total	435	3922	31	57	36	111	45	\$55775	8	\$ 9700	\$ 3714	1741	\$ 7769	717	67	556	3376	155	73	289	48	11	11	25	39	31	2	8113	87	94

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

Bridgeport	45	292	2	5	5	6	\$ 5200			\$ 393			\$ 38	6	41	230	40	\$ 10	\$ 50	\$ 3	3	1	\$1	\$ 2	\$1	\$1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$85	20	16
Cherry Camp	2	302	2	2	6	6	3500	1	\$ 500	45			40	6	52	284	35		35	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	444	10	*2
Clarksburg	14	183	1	3	2	7	1	17500	1	2500			168	1	17	189	33	17	50	2	1	1	2	2	11			926	10		
Enterprise	15	190	1	5	9	6	2000									1	20	745	20	27	47	6	2	2	5	8		271	5		
Fairmont	5	200	3	1	7	1	6500	1	1000	90	12		115	1	20	170	13		5	18	1	1	1	1				693	20		
Farmington	2	186	2	3		4	4500					30	4	33	170	13	5		18	1	1	1	1					356	8		
Logansport	19	249	1	1		9	5 3000	1	400	15	110	90	35	4	30	181	28	2	30	2	1	1		3	1			349	4		
Lumberport	21	380	1	3		12	6 3000	1	500	660		398	15	6	53	275	45	10	55	8	2	2	8	5	2			592	20		
Mannington	2	142	4			1	1 6000	1	2000	200		80	1	12	150	9	9	18	3			3	5					654	5		
Marion	1	213	2	2		2	6 3800	1	1000	3	11	25	35	5	51	288	12	33	45	5	1	1	2	3				540	5	3	
Pine Grove (9 months)	19	259	4	3			4 2000				40	245	50	6			20		20	1		1	1					196	5		
Pruntytown	6	313	5			1	4 8:00	1	1800	75		155	3	40	300	10	5	15	4	1	1	1	2	5	2			642	5		
Mount Clare	30	293	2	2		4	5 4300	1	700	50	173	84	80	5	36	175	20	35	55	2	1	1	1	4	1			557	14		
Salem	7	96	3	2		8	1 1000					20	1	6	70	8	10	18	2					1	7					5	
Smithton	27	264	1	4			5 2000	1	500				5	25	209	10	5	15	2	1	1							282	8	*6	
West Milford	5	255	5			15	4 2000	1	400	135		60	3	3	35	200	20	17	37	10	1	1	2					522	10		
Wilsonburg	8	400	1	2	2	15	9 7500	1	600	950	91	200	72	7	63	315	12		12	1								616	3		
Total	228	4217	24	47	7	95	74	\$81800	12	\$11900	24*3	562	\$ 1102	\$923	64	514	3181	335	\$185	\$520	\$ 54	\$ 14	\$ 14	\$ 28	34	32	\$ 2	\$ 2	8025	152	32

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GUYANDOTTE AND MORGANTOWN DISTRICTS.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.						Bap- tisms		CHURCH PROPERTY.						S. Schools.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												Minist'al Support.							
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptised.	No. of Adults Bap- tised.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of All Ages.	For Missions.												For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding Eld- er and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect'rs.				
																		From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.								
GUYANDOTTE DISTRICT.—																																				
Cassville.....	66	245	2	3	1	2	2	300	1	305	12	149	900	2	12	30	3	3	15	3	1									160	2	2				
Ceredo.....	6	93	1	3	2	3	3	2000	1	1000	25	70	247	2	14	80	13	2	15	3										347	2	2				
Coal River.....	46	204	3	2	2	8	1	250	1	250		145	5	4	25	20	7		7										260	2	2					
East Hamlin.....	18	85		2	2	1	1	50																					66							
Fairfields.....	4	105	1	3	12	8	1	2000	1	500	91	157		12	18	83	5	5	10	3									538	4						
Guyandotte.....	11						1	2600	1	1200	160	150		60	26	150	4	18	22	4	1	1							460	10						
Hamlin.....	31	182	5				4	2200	1	340	400		35	30	3	27	117	9	1	10	1	1							265	2						
Huntington.....	10	306		4	15	12	1	7000	1	2500	4000	485	6000	200	1	30	275	30	10	40	10								1300	11						
Laurell Hill (3 months)	10	44	1				2	500																					16							
Milton.....	39	255	3	4		23	4	4500	1	300	13			22	2	43	362	16	5	21	3	1							342	1						
Monticello.....	25	180	1	5	3	10	3	1000										7		7	4								258	1						
St. Albans.....	2	90	1			1	2	800	1	300	100		200	10		3	24	120	11		1								377	2						
Wayne.....	39	310	4	2		20	4	3500	1	35	1000		135		6	48	260	10	10	20	2								372	2						
Winfield.....	30	125	1			8	4	2000	1	250	100		22	6	3	23	109												282							
Total.....	337	2171	23	28	33	92	33	28700	11	7295	5901	1007	6783	1248	39	316	1731	115	51	166	31	2	3	17	18	11	50		5043	46						
MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.—																																				
Arnettsville.....	5	285	2	2		3	3	2000	1	800			25	3	30		12	3	15	2									533	5						
Blacksville.....	4	321	1	7		4		4500	1	1100	225		130	73	5	50	330	50	10	60	3	1	1						625	12						
Grafton.....	2	365		5	4	3	1	17000	1	1500	1035		900	221	1	21	200	50	60	110	10	3	3	18	16	10			1162	41	*100					
Halleck.....		390	1			8	6	5000	1	650	50	45	22	25	5	50	275	50	8	58	2	1	1						463							
Jollytown.....	10	520	3	6	1	20	9	10000	1	1700	800		100	50	10	90	500	32	16	48	2	1	1						888	20	*2					

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MORGANTOWN AND NEW RIVER DISTRICTS.

MORGANTOWN DIST.—Cont.

Kingwood.....	18	179	2	3	7	1	12000	1	3000	73	...	112	1	21	165	11	39	50	4	2	2	4	7	...	81	...	885	20	*89	
Knottsville.....	10	305	...	5	1	12	5	6000	1	600	200	...	50	5	44	290	18	22	40	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	...	591	10	...
Littleton.....	7	235	5	2	...	...	4	3700	1	750	450	115	75	6	50	345	15	...	15	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	474	2	...	
Masontown.....	...	231	1	2	5	14	4	3500	1	700	100	...	80	20	4	30	207	3	12	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	537	...	*8	
Morgantown.....	12	268	3	4	4	...	1	10000	1	1500	2000	...	230	1	22	169	58	17	75	4	1	1	3	3	18	...	1305	25	...	
Morgantown Circuit.....	1	384	3	12	...	...	5	5000	1	900	75	...	850	150	5	50	350	15	3	18	2	1	1	3	1	1	...	635	7	...
Monongalia.....	3	380	2	10	...	14	6	6000	...	...	3500	...	50	6	50	362	55	10	65	1	1	...	2	1	...	1	755	10	*217	
Mount Zion.....	3	350	1	2	...	25	5	2000	...	...	...	...	10	3	20	100	66	1	67	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	265	2	...	
Palatine Circuit.....	12	397	1	12	2	8	5	5500	1	800	135	...	150	100	6	77	340	48	...	48	8	1	1	2	5	...	19	607	8	...
Tunnelton.....	50	216	1	2	5	35	4	4000	1	750	...	...	55	113	30	6	52	274	15	10	25	4	1	1	4	6	...	585	10	...

Total..... 137 4723 26 77 25 149 63 96.00 13 14750 8643 100 2460 1216 67 657 3907 498 211 709 49 15 14 52 60 35 106 1 10273 195 416

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

Blue Stone.....	3	50	2	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	88	...	...
Boone.....	3	134	2	1	...	...	...	1	200	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125	...	...
Clay.....	30	133	1	3	...	9	2	1200	...	...	100	...	2	2	17	40	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	145	...	...
Concord.....	3	50	...	2	...	...	...	300	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	215	1	...
Elk River.....	40	398	6	4	...	10	2	1000	1	500	80	...	10	10	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Fayette.....	12	193	4	4	7	...	4	2000	1	500	160	...	172	3	3	21	150	8	...	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	275	...	8
Flat Top.....	29	135	3	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	122	2	...
Hinchmans.....	10	180	1	...	3	4	1	3000	2	300	5	...	...	1	5	50	5	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	290	5	...
Hinton.....	4	12	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	350	...	...
Mountain Cove.....	14	336	4	1	2	11	2	2000	1	600	...	...	...	...	15	5	20	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	426	3	...
Nicholas.....	8	446	4	1	6	10	5	3800	1	150	1100	...	300	10	7	50	284	10	...	10	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	556	5	...
Oceana.....	9	161	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	112	1	...
Ophelia.....	57	255	1	2	...	11	4	2000	1	500	...	...	...	6	50	190	16	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	314	1	...
Pleasant Retreat.....	44	454	9	3	...	31	2	1200	1	275	35	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	358	...	...
Raleigh.....	17	400	5	6	...	12	3	1600	1	700	80	...	20	7	56	250	10	5	15	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	566	8	...

Total..... 283 3337 48 33 23 118 26 18100 10 3725 1381 190 472 45 36 199 964 108 10 114 19 1 2 5 5 1 1 1 3939 27 8

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MINUTES OF THE W. V. A. CONFERENCE.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Bap- tisms.	CHURCH PROPERTY.							S. Schools.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.						
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.		No. Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Soc'y.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.
					From Churches.														From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
OAKLAND DISTRICT.	14	267	1	5	15	4	\$4200	1	600	\$59			\$43	4	41	169	\$24	8	\$32	\$1	1	\$2		\$2	\$1	\$29		\$361	\$7	\$4	
Albrightsville	4	210		7	7	3	1800	1	800					5	36	230	23	22	\$1	1	1						476	8			
Aurora	7	495	2	6	12	6	7000		800				11	57	373	20	20	3	1	1							475	12			
Brandonville	25	349		1	15	36	300	1	400	341		225	30	11	75	374	20	20	3	1	1						430	8			
Cranesville	5	70	1	1	3	3	2000	1	500		\$100	218	39	1	16	120	2	28	30	5	1	1					704	15	\$77		
Davis	19	172	4	2	31	3	3500		800			250		8	35	350	19	5	24	2	1	1					471	9	10		
Deer Park	28	424	4	3	6	19	6	5000	1	800		105	32	6	66	420	32	13	45	10	2	2					608	10	100		
Evansville	30	432	4	3	5	15	7	4900	1	500	300		200	70	112	467	27	3	30	5	1	1					504	14			
Friendsville	7	195		1	20	2	2700	1	930	930			15	4	12	180	5	5	5	5	5	5					379	3			
Grantsville	35	124	1	1	1	2	1025	1	150	15		31	55	5	28	330	13	13	13	4	1	1					514	4			
Hambleton	10	112		4	2	2	700		1000				60	3	22	90	10	2	12	2	2	2					167	6			
Hannahsville	1	245	1	2	9	10	2	4500	1	1000	1100	100	750	2	20	130	10	31	41	2	2	2					677	22	7		
Newburg	24	250	1	6	8	1	2000	1	2500	40			100	2	32	225	30	16	46	2	2	2					900	25			
Oakland	9	364	5	1	12	7	4100	1	300	125		30	7	56	301	7	23	30	3	5	1	1					356	11			
Pleasant Grove	8	174	3	2	19	3	2500	1	500				40	4	34	200	10	10	10	2	1	1					550	3			
Randolph Mission	16	201	1	1	5	9	2	4500	1	40		50	60	3	27	177	10	15	25	3	1	1					554	14	33		
Rowlesburg																															
Terra Alta																															
Total	242	4084	15	38	131	145	57	50725	12	8980	3026	305	1724	574	86	699	4136	261	144	405	50	14	15	41	23	25	153	3	8126	171	231

*Conference Seminary.

PARKERSBURG AND WHEELING DISTRICTS.

PARKERSBURG DIST.																			
Belmont and Waverly	1	20																	
Bellville	25	422	2	6	3	68	4	2800											
Cairo	8	228			3	38	3	2500	1	175	580								
Centerville	13	479	2	2		7	6	3000	1	300	30		16						
Elizabeth Station	4	107	1	11		4	2	3500	1	700	50								
Elizabeth Circuit	8	212	1	5	2	13	4	2000	1	250		90	120						
Ellenboro	26	368	4	10		14	6	5100	1	600	60	20	80	60	5	42	295	15	5
Harrisville	10	470	2	4	2	12	5	7000	1	500	3000								
Kanawha	6	150	2	1	6	15	4	2000											
Middlebourne	15	230	2	2		8	3	2800	1	600	600		200	50					
Mount Pleasant	10	131	1	4		2	4	1600	1	300									
Parkersburg	3	452	1	4	10		1	4000	1	6000				294	1	38	518	500	200
Parkersburg Circuit	14	554	2	8	3	42	8	7900	1	1100	97	7		98	8	72	574	40	68
Pleasants	2	155		7	1	4	4	700						50	5	1	8	30	39
Sistersville	5	200	1	1	2		1	5500			25	130	180	100	5	48	250	32	11
Shiloh	105	450		3		8		4000	1	400					7		291	20	
Smithville	69	333	3	2	3	22	7	4500	1	500	400			100			245		25
Van Camp	15	110	1	1			2	1200						35	4	16	90		7
West Union	10	169	4	2		6	4	5000	1	1000	230			35	4	40	200		32
Williamstown & R. View	102			8		5	2	2000			455			20	2	22	140		12
Total	451	5177	29	81	35	261	82	98100	13	12425	5517	247	-781	1632	84	632	4560	805	408
WHEELING DISTRICT.																			
Benwood	2	174	2		20	1	2	6000	1	2000	1500		1900	100	2	28	290	36	10
Cameron	4	315		3		10	2	3000	1	2000	16	34		145	2	28	233	65	45
Dallas	4	332		5		2	2	7000	1	800	100			65	3	35	240	10	20
Fulton	18	60		2	4		5	3000						25	2	20	120	11	11
Greene	6	226	3	5		10	7	4500			235				5	43	173	15	25
Marshall	20	321	4		9	12	4	7100	1	2000	296			119	6	82	436		85
Moundsville	12	485		10	6	4	1	10000	1	3000	1400			201	1	42	330	71	104
Moundsville Circuit	9	465	1	3		12	7	10000						120	9	115	581	46	14
New Martinsville	23	150	1	3			4	3500		900				80	1	15	101	17	10
New Martinsville Circ't	16	236	3	4	40	3	4	2500						50	7	74	288	40	
Pleasant Valley	4	316	1	11	3	10	5	5000			65			50	5	42	280	42	3
Short Creek and Liberty	10	197		5	11	9	2	14500	1	1350				110	2	29	161	53	8
Triadelphia	139			5	17	1	1	7000	1	2500				95	1	17	130	45	30
Chapline Street	23	289	1	2	20	18	1	8000	1	2000	50			240	1	26	263	71	59

*Conference Seminary.

†Episcopal Fund.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

WHEELING DISTRICT—Continued.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Bap- tisms.		CHURCH PROPERTY.								S. Schools.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												Minist'al Support.	
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized.	No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Property.	Present Indebtedness On Church Property.	Current Expenses, (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.
WHEELING DIST.—Con.	36	462	..	5	8	10	1	\$75000	1	\$12000	\$ 394	....	\$ 5000	1000	1	39	243	\$255	\$445	\$660	\$277	\$ 20	18	\$ 45	\$10	30	\$238	....	\$ 2818	\$.22	\$ 15
Fourth Street.....	7	283	..	3	35	11	1	8000	1	3500	.....	.....	250	1	31	250	30	50	80	33	3	3	3	16	5	2	.....	.....	1195	50	....
North Street.....	12	307	1	1	8	7	1	18000	1	5000	300	\$300	700	420	1	35	337	75	65	140	62	5	5	20	16	15	.....	.....	1480	66	137
Thomson Church.....	16	208	3	12	43	3	1	10000	..	.....	2019	.....	4044	225	1	32	300	15	25	40	1	1	1	1	..	.....	65	.....	851	15	....
Wesley Chapel.....	33	313	3	7	65	9	1	18000	1	3000	102	319	1100	273	1	32	291	49	21	70	16	2	2	1	6	.....	135	51	1088	48	15
Zane Street.....																															
Total.....	255	5278	23	76	289	139	46	203900	12	\$39150	\$ 7377	\$653	\$12894	3568	52	763	5047	\$949	1030	1939	\$553	\$ 62	60	\$206	252	99	\$704	\$132	\$17214	\$734	\$830

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.			BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						S. SCHOOLS.				BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.					
	No. of Full Members.		No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptised.	No. of Adults Bap- tised.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Chh Prop'y.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (sex- ton, light, fuel, &c.)	No. of Schools. and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of All Ages.	For Missions.			For Amer. Bible Society.											
																	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid & Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.			For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding Eld- er and Bishops.	For Conference Chaplains.	
Buckhannon	509	6149	36	51	55	388	90	\$69425	8	\$10225	\$8363	\$634	\$2520	\$839	107	898	5306	\$369	\$232	\$601	\$80	\$21	\$16	\$8	\$43	\$21	\$5	\$2	\$460	\$82	\$10
Charleston	435	3922	31	37	36	111	45	\$5775	12	\$9700	\$7114	\$769	\$1102	923	67	586	3376	155	185	240	48	11	14	28	39	31	2	...	87	94	
Clarksburg	298	4917	24	47	35	92	74	\$1800	12	\$1100	2483	562	6783	1248	39	316	1731	115	51	166	31	2	3	17	18	11	50	...	7825	145	
Guyandotte	337	4723	28	27	25	149	63	\$9200	13	\$14750	\$8043	1007	2460	1216	67	637	\$907	498	211	709	49	15	14	32	35	106	1	1	4073	135	
Morgantown	337	4723	28	27	25	149	63	\$9200	13	\$14750	\$8043	1007	2460	1216	67	637	\$907	498	211	709	49	15	14	32	35	106	1	1	4073	135	
New River	283	3337	48	33	23	118	26	\$1800	10	\$7825	1381	472	45	389	66	139	964	108	10	114	19	1	2	5	5	1	1	3369	27	8	
Oakland	242	4084	15	38	131	145	57	\$9725	12	\$3880	\$926	305	1724	574	86	639	241	144	405	50	14	15	41	23	25	153	3	8126	171	231	
Parkersburg	451	5177	29	81	35	261	42	\$98100	13	\$12425	\$517	247	7881	1632	62	663	4560	805	408	1184	80	21	19	93	53	2	82	7663	224	330	
Wheeling	255	3278	23	76	289	139	86	\$220100	12	\$39150	\$7377	657	12894	3568	52	763	5047	949	1080	1939	553	62	60	206	752	97	704	132	17214	734	330
Total this yr.	2877	39065	255	488	634	1498	516	\$702725	101	\$118150	\$46405	\$4390	\$65905	10762	602	5294	32508	\$595	\$2344	\$5927	944	161	154	525	564	303	1025	223	76157	1818	1224
Total last yr.	3161	38586	245	399	621	1852	510	\$779260	94	\$105150	\$42262	\$2388	\$25529	9530	627	5238	33429	3127	2013	\$1521	496	131	120	405	400	311	889	90	70962	1616	305
Increase...	479	10	89	13	354	354	6	60355	7	13000	4143	151	10976	1232	25	62	1221	468	331	799	48	30	34	120	164	...	136	133	5295	202	919
Decrease...	284																														

Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.										
NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastors.		P. Eld's		Bish'ps		Con. Claimants.				
		Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.			Paid.
BUCKHANNON.												
Barbour	Willie C. Rogers	\$ 133	\$ 114	\$ 39	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 5	\$ 1		
Bellington	Levi Cross	360	223	137	52	52	7	2	10	2		
Beverly	Cyrus Poling	960	547	113	64	64	8	8	15	2		
Braxton	Parris L. Bent	255	218	37	40	40	6	6	8	8		
Buckhannon	M. F. Dryden	800	800	...	84	84	10	10	28	30		
Buckhannon C't.	G. H. Williams	550	481	69	90	80	10	5	25	15		
Canaan	B. B. Brooks, (Sup.)	284	200	84	40	40	3	2	15	7		
East Buckhan'n	Martin Talbot	330	270	60	44	44	6	6	12	7		
Freemansburg	B. F. Rogers	410	284	128	60	60	5	3	12	6		
Frenchton	C. B. Meredith	560	572	...	80	80	...	...	25	10		
Glady	George Lewis	200	107	95	46	44	5	1	10	1		
Glenville	John S. Robinson	425	375	50	60	60	3	1	15	10		
Helvetia	F. W. Queen	107	102	5	20	20	2	2	5	5		
Mingo	G. W. Bent	172	114	58	25	25	2	12	5	5		
Philippi	A. B. Rohrbough	600	510	90	60	50	6	2	20	5		
South Buckhan'n	N. H. Prince	550	500	50	60	53	8	2	20	15		
Sutton	John Norris, (Sup.)	560	560	...	60	60	...	3	...	10		
Troy	Fred. Cottrill	535	455	80	60	60	8	4	20	6		
Webster	Geo. D. Smith	250	255	...	46	46	5	6	10	12		
Weston	B. B. Evans	880	890	...	70	70	9	9	25	25		
Total		8621	7567	1015	1086	1057	99	67	277	182		
CHARLESTON.												
Calhoun	W. L. McCutcheon	270	233	37	50	50	3	1	...	...		
Charleston	A. Mick	1140	1140	...	80	80	10	10	35	35		
Charleston Cir't.	Jacob Hiatt, (Sup.)	435	388	47	65	65	8	2	18	4		
Clifton & Mason	A. J. Lyda	550	550	...	65	55	6	2	15	2		
Danaville	W. H. Hammond	400	320	80	40	40	4	2	7	3		
East Charleston	R. E. Hughes, (Sup.)	350	314	36	60	60	...	...	...	...		
Fisher's Point	J. J. White	325	245	80	55	55	7	2	7	4		
Hartford City	E. H. Orwen	600	600	...	65	61	10	5	16	5		
Jackson	J. S. Jenkins, (Sup.)	450	372	78	50	50	4	4	4	4		
Leon	F. P. Dunbar	350	200	150	50	42	...	1	6	2		
Malden	Eldridge D. Hanna	460	460	...	40	40	4	4	7	7		
Point Pleasant	A. L. Hughes	465	...	...	60	60	6	6	6	6		
Ravenswood	J. W. Griffiths	700	700	...	80	80	4	3	10	7		
Raymond City	H. L. Ward	350	223	127	50	40	4	2	5	2		
Ripley	E. D. W. King	425	400	25	50	45	...	2	...	1		
Spencer	P. C. Mays	500	486	14	80	80	...	1	...	3		
Walton	George Alley, (Sup.)	400	350	50	60	60	5	1	11	2		
Total		8170	6981	724	1000	963	75	48	147	87		
CLARKSBURG.												
Bridgeport	G. Rogers	400	313	86	67	67	8	5	20	20		
Cherry Camp	A. L. Curtis	450	390	60	50	50	8	4	25	10		
Clarksburg	A. Moore	850	850	...	78	64	10	2	25	10		
Enterprise	J. Conwell	225	200	225	44	36	6	5	20	5		
Fairmont	J. W. W. Bolton	620	620	...	62	62	11	11	25	20		
Farmington	G. Martin	300	300	...	50	50	6	6	20	8		
Logansport	E. S. Withers	360	293	67	55	55	7	1	16	4		
Lumberport	N. L. Baumgardner	550	517	33	67	67	10	8	25	15		
Mannington	C. E. Shaw	660	653	7	60	60	...	1	...	5		
Marion	Taylor Richmond	470	470	...	65	66	9	4	23	5		
Pine Grove	W. L. Cox, (Sup)	200	149	51	48	48	6	3	13	4		
Pruntytown	J. C. Morris	600	575	25	65	63	8	4	20	5		
Mount Clare	W. E. Lovett	550	488	62	65	65	8	4	35	14		

Clarksburg, Guyandotte, Morgantown and New River Districts.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.							
		Pastors.			P. Eld's		Bish'ps		Con. Claim-ants.
		Claims, including Ho'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.		Apportioned.		
					Paid.		Paid.		
CLARKSB'G—Con.									
Salem.....	T. H. Clark.....	\$ 325	\$ 325	...	\$ 38	\$ 38	...	...	\$ 5
Smithton.....	G. W. White.....	312	232	\$ 80	48	48	\$ 9	\$ 2	8
West Milford.....	J. A. Hammond.....	500	450	50	67	67	9	5	10
Wilsonsburg.....	D. F. Carder.....	550	500	50	66	66	...	1	3
Total.....		7922	7325	796	995	968	115	73	323
GUYANDOTTE.									
Cassville.....	J. T. Davis.....	200	131	69	38	30	5	...	2
Ceredo.....	J. H. Redmon.....	305	305	...	40	40	5	2	2
Coal River.....	W. S. Vandevort.....	300	223	77	36	36	2	1	3
East Hamlin.....	D. R. Johnson (sup)...	95	69	26	20	16	...	...	...
Fairfields.....	A. W. Ownby.....	580	481	99	53	53	6	...	4
Guyandotte.....	John Beddow.....	400	400	...	55	55	7	5	10
Hamlin.....	T. W. Wilson.....	265	215	50	50	49	5	1	2
Huntington.....	W. W. King.....	1200	1,000	...	100	100	...	12	11
Laurel Hill.....	S. Spurloch (3 months)	55	7	48	20	9	3	...	...
Milton.....	Sylvester Gainer.....	297	297	...	40	40	5	5	7
Monticello.....	G. W. Matheny.....	352	205	147	52	52	5	1	1
St. Albans.....	Benj. Darlington.....	426	340	86	36	36	3	1	2
Wayne.....	Arthur Merrells.....	450	373	77	52	48	6	2	2
Winfield.....	A. T. Morriston.....	400	129	271	40	28	3	...	...
Total.....		5325	4375	950	632	592	55	22	135
MORGANTOWN.									
Arnettsville.....	George C. Shaw.....	500	460	40	71	71	12	2	5
Blacksville.....	C. Warman.....	600	554	46	68	68	8	3	12
Grafton.....	J. H. Hess.....	1050	1100	...	98	98	14	14	41
Halleck.....	E. C. Woodruff.....	400	400	...	60	60	...	3	8
Jollytown.....	J. B. Feather.....	625	590	35	100	100	14	10	20
Jollytown.....	Stephen White (sup)...	200	188	12	...	...	...	...	...
Kingwood.....	M. W. Rider.....	750	750	...	76	76	9	9	20
Knottsville.....	E. R. Skidmore.....	525	510	15	76	76	11	5	26
Littleton.....	G. R. Copeland.....	450	419	31	55	55	8	...	10
Masontown.....	F. G. W. Ford.....	525	500	25	54	51	8	6	15
Morgantown.....	J. A. Fullerton.....	1200	1200	...	98	98	12	7	35
Morgantown Cir't.....	A. D. Perry.....	550	550	...	79	79	8	6	6
Mount Zion.....	Sam'l Harris (sup).....	300	234	66	28	28	3	3	10
Monongalia.....	T. W. Chidester.....	672	672	...	80	80	11	3	26
Palestine.....	S. Eli Jones.....	565	538	27	63	63	6	3	16
Tunnelton.....	C. W. Cox.....	525	525	...	54	54	6	6	10
Total.....		9437	9190	297	1060	1057	130	80	308
NEW RIVER.									
Blue Stone.....	W. D. Sanford (sup).....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boone.....	Enoch L. Meadows.....	150	73	77	50	50	3	1	...
Clay.....	Wm. L. McCoy.....	200	110	90	40	35	...	...	1
Concord.....	Jacob C. Strader.....	250	185	65	40	29	...	1	...
Elk River.....	A. D. Adams.....	400	346	54	60	55	...	...	1
Fayette.....	Barzilla Fitzwater.....	285	215	70	60	60	...	...	...
Flat Top.....	Thos. Parris (sup).....	150	93	57	40	28	3	1	2
Hinchmans.....	G. L. Carder.....	280	235	45	50	50	4	4	5
Hinton.....	J. M. Grose.....	300	290	10	60	60	...	...	...
Mountain Cove.....	W. R. Hennen.....	435	367	67	60	56	6	2	13
Nicholas.....	Wm. Hunter.....	500	440	60	60	56	2	2	5
Oceana.....	Thomas Nutter.....	200	60	140	50	50	4	2	10

New River, Oakland, Parkersburg and Wheeling Districts.

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		Pastors.				P. Eld's		Bish'ps		Con. Claim-ants.	
		Claims, including Ho'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, includ'g Ho'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.		Apportioned.		Apportioned.		
					Paid.		Paid.		Paid.		
NEW RIVER-CON.											
Ophelia.....	W. P. Guinn.....	270	254	16	60	60	..	..	..	1	
Pleasant Retreat.	George E. Ward.....	400	260	240	60	48	5	2	15	5	
Raleigh.....	J. G. Fugate.....	500	444	56	60	60	6	2	13	8	
Total.....		4320	3372	1147	750	697	33	17	77	32	
OAKLAND.											
Albrightsville....	T. R. Faulkner.....	350	300	50	56	56	6	5	16	7	
Aurora.....	J. C. Rexroad.....	476	421	55	50	50	6	4	14	8	
Brandonville.....	A. S. Arnett.....	525	400	25	70	70	7	5	18	12	
Brandonville.....	A. S. Arnett.....	660	577	83	75	76	9	4	21	4	
Cranesville.....	John Rexroad.....	415	385	30	40	40	6	5	10	8	
Davis.....	D. B. Orr.....	560	653	..	45	45	6	6	15	15	
Deer Park.....	J. N. Sharp.....	430	419	11	50	50	6	2	15	9	
Evansville.....	D. A. Friend.....	550	535	15	68	68	9	5	22	10	
Friendsville.....	.....	500	430	70	68	68	6	6	14	14	
Grantsville.....	R. S. Welch.....	348	329	19	50	50	..	..	4	3	
Hambleton.....	D. L. Carroll (sup.).....	500	476	24	35	35	5	3	12	4	
Hannahsville.....	Willis E. Dean.....	200	135	65	30	30	4	2	8	6	
Newburg.....	G. W. Kepler.....	600	600	..	68	68	9	9	22	22	
Oakland.....	C. E. Clark.....	800	832	..	60	60	8	8	21	25	
Pleasant Grove.....	M. Knotts.....	375	300	..	50	50	6	6	12	11	
Randolph Miss'n.	And. Moore (sup.).....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Rowlesburg.....	W. H. Shaw.....	500	500	..	45	45	5	5	12	5	
Terra Alta.....	S. D. Tamblyn.....	500	500	..	48	48	6	6	14	14	
Total.....		8289	7792	447	909	909	104	81	250	177	
PARKERSBURG.											
Belm't & Wave'ly	J. H. Doan (sup).....	100	118	22	..	9	..	..	..	10	
Belleville.....	J. H. Stratton.....	500	530	..	75	75	7	5	15	10	
Cairo.....	Gregory Bleakley.....	370	380	10	55	55	4	4	10	10	
Centerville.....	H. Riggs.....	530	230	249	80	61	8	2	2	2	
Elizabeth.....	W. J. Harkness.....	450	450	..	50	50	5	4	10	8	
Elizabeth Circuit	L. N. Coffield.....	460	411	49	60	60	5	3	10	4	
Ellenboro.....	B. D. Mahone.....	600	472	128	80	59	10	5	20	5	
Harrisville.....	F. H. J. King.....	600	..	..	100	90	12	2	30	4	
Kanawha.....	Daniel Smith (sup.).....	240	200	40	25	24	3	1	5	4	
Middlebourne.....	U. Pribble.....	550	405	95	65	65	9	4	20	2	
Mount Pleasant.	.....	300	134	11	60	50	5	..	12	..	
Parkersburg.....	Geo. E. Hite.....	1900	1900	..	190	190	30	30	90	90	
Parkersburg Circ.	Sam'l J. Cotton.....	675	700	..	100	102	12	12	30	30	
Pleasants.....	Isaac H. Funk (sup.).....	225	..	..	40	40	3	..	..	..	
Sistersville.....	W. G. Smith.....	600	505	95	85	85	9	9	20	20	
Shiloh.....	Marion Taylor.....	475	325	149	70	70	7	5	18	8	
Smithville.....	A. A. Nichols.....	500	500	..	65	65	6	2	15	5	
Van Camp.....	J. R. Haught (sup).....	225	185	40	40	37	2	1	3	2	
West Union.....	S. P. Crumet.....	550	527	23	65	65	7	5	15	10	
Williamstown and Riverside	Wm. Anderson.....	..	..	..	50	50	4	4	10	10	
Total.....		9850	8062	911	1335	1282	148	98	335	224	
WHEELING.											
Benwood.....	Jeremiah Engle.....	875	875	..	46	46	4	4	15	15	
Cameron.....	C. S. Allemong.....	850	850	..	77	77	6	8	20	25	
Dallas.....	H. C. Sanford.....	675	484	190	76	76	6	1	15	5	

Wheeling District.—Continued.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
		Pastors.			P. El's.		Bish'ps		Con. Claimants.		
		Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
WHEELING—CON.											
Fulton.....	{ W. J. Holt.....	\$325	\$ 225	...	\$ 18	\$ 18	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 5	\$ 5	
Greene.....	{ J. W. Downing.....	425	407	18	54	44	4	4	20	20	
Marshall.....	C. E. Leatherby.....	700	700	...	88	88	13	13	30	30	
Moundsville.....	L. W. Roberts.....	1150	1150	...	101	101	18	18	60	62	
Moundsville C't.....	Joseph Lee.....	800	700	100	88	80	8	7	65	25	
New Martinsville.....	C. W. Upton.....	500	500	...	42	42	5	5	13	5	
" C't.....	D. S. Hammond.....	403	327	75	35	32	4	4	10	10	
Pleasant Valley.....	D. A. Denton.....	475	456	18	55	52	5	5	20	20	
Short C'k & Lib'y.....	Spencer King.....	750	750	44	74	74	13	4	55	16	
Triadelphia.....	T. E. Galway.....	600	600	...	50	50	4	4	20	20	
WHEELING.											
Chapline Street.....	F. N. Lynch.....	1100	1100	...	80	80	16	16	60	75	
Fourth Street.....	C. W. Cushing.....	2500	2500	...	278	278	40	40	175	222	
North Street.....	W. G. Riheldaffer.....	1100	1100	...	80	80	15	15	50	50	
Thomson Church.....	G. W. Grimes.....	1350	1350	...	109	100	30	30	66	66	
Wesley Chapel.....	D. L. Ash.....	800	800	...	46	46	5	5	20	15	
Zane Street.....	C. B. Graham.....	1000	1000	...	75	75	13	13	48	48	
Total.....		16278	15874	445	1463	1449	211	198	767	734	

Recapitulation by Districts.

DISTRICTS.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
	Pastors.				P. Elders.		Bishops.		Con. Claimants.	
	Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	
Buckhannon.....	\$ 8621	\$ 7567	\$ 1015	\$ 1086	\$ 1057	\$ 99	\$ 67	\$ 277	\$ 182	
Charleston.....	8170	6981	724	1000	963	75	48	147	87	
Clarksburg.....	7922	7325	796	995	968	115	73	323	151	
Guyandotte.....	5325	4375	950	632	592	55	22	135	46	
Morgantown.....	9437	9190	297	1060	1057	130	80	308	174	
New River.....	4320	3372	1147	750	697	33	17	77	32	
Oakland.....	8289	7792	447	908	909	104	81	250	177	
Parkersburg.....	9850	8062	911	1335	1282	148	98	335	224	
Wheeling.....	16278	15374	445	1463	1449	211	198	767	734	
Total this year.....	78212	70038	6732	9229	8974	970	684	2619	1777	
Total last year.....	75613	67767	7611	9148	8716	950	668	2547	1770	
Increase.....	2599	2271		81	258	20	16	72	7	
Decrease.....			879							

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NO.	YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	1848	July 4.....	Wheeling.....	Hamline.....	Charles Cook.
2	1849	October 5...	Clarksburg	Waugh	Alex. Martin.
3	1850	June 5.....	Parkersburg	Janes	" "
4	1851	June 4.....	Charleston	Morris.....	" "
5	1852	June 10.....	Morgantown.....	Simpson.....	" "
6	1853	June 8.....	Weston	Baker.....	" "
7	1854	May 30.....	Fairmont.....	Scott	" "
8	1855	May 31.....	Wheeling.....	Morris.....	" "
9	1856	June 12.....	Buckhannon	Ames	S. R. Dawson.
10	1857	April 16.....	Moundsville	Simpson.....	" "
11	1858	April 15.....	Charleston	Ames	" "
12	1859	April 20.....	Parkersburg	Morris.....	" "
13	1860	March 14.....	Morgantown.....	Scott	" "
14	1861	March 13.....	Wheeling.....	Baker	Sam'l Steele.
15	1862	March 12.....	Parkersburg	Scott	" "
16	1863	March 18.....	Fairmont.....	Morris.....	Alex. Martin.
17	1864	March 16.....	Parkersburg	Morris.....	" "
18	1865	March 8.....	Wheeling.....	Janes	" "
19	1866	March 21.....	Morgantown.....	Clark	" "
20	1867	March 14.....	Cattlettsburg, Ky	Thomson ..	" "
21	1868	March 11.....	Moundsville	Kingsley ..	Sam'l Steele.
22	1869	March 11.....	Clarksburg	Ames	Alex. Martin.
23	1870	March 10.....	Charleston	Thomson ..	J. L. Clark.
24	1871	March 9.....	Parkersburg	Clark	" "
25	1872	March 6.....	Wheeling.....	Simpson.....	" "
26	1873	March 5.....	Guyandotte.....	Andrews.....	" "
27	1874	March 11.....	Fairmont.....	Scott	" "
28	1875	March 3.....	Point Pleasant.....	Bowman ..	" "
29	1876	March 15.....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
30	1877	March 11.....	Grafton	Ames	" "
31	1877	October 4.....	Charleston	Scott	" "
32	1878	October 10.....	Parkersburg	Harris.....	G. C. Wilding.
33	1879	October 1.....	Morgantown.....	Simpson.....	" "
34	1880	October 14.....	Huntington.....	Peck	" "
35	1881	October 5.....	Moundsville	Foster.....	" "
36	1882	October 4.....	Clarksburg	Andrews.....	" "
37	1883	October 10.....	Wheeling.....	Harris.....	" "
38	1884	October 1.....	Buckhannon	Walden.....	" "
39	1885	Sept. 24.....	Charleston	Merrill.....	W. G. Ri'daffer
40	1886	Sept. 23.....	Morgantown.....	Mallalieu ..	" "
41	1887	October 5.....	Parkersburg	Bowman ..	" "
42	1888	Sept. 26.....	Fairmont.....	Foster.....	" "
43	1889	Sept. 18.....	Point Pleasant.....	Joyce	" "
44	1890	October 2.....	Weston	Foss	" "
45	1891	Sept. 30.....	Wheeling.....	Warren.....	" "

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1860.

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1868.

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Lay Delegates.—L. A. Martin and H. P. McGregor.

Reserves.—Hon. B. F. Martin and Prof. W. P. Willey.

CONFERENCE ROLL.

NOTE.—The figures before a name correspond with the same person's name in the list of appointments, page 32.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.

157 Allemong, Chas. S.
110 Arnett, Amos S.
83 Ash, David L.
167 Barnes, A. E.
116 Baumgardner, N. L.
108 Carder George L.
20 Carder, David F.
84 Carrico, Wm. D.
173 Chenoweth, Jasper F.
95 Chidester, Thos. W.
6 Clark, Charles E.
145 Coffield, Levi N.
154 Cotton, Thomas.
28 Cotton, Samuel J.
94 Cox, Columbus W.
22 Cottrill, Fred.
56 Cross, Levi.
152 Crummitt, Simon P.
114 Darlington, Benj.
23 Davis, J. T.
93 Day, S. H.
180 Denton, Douglas A.
51 Engle, Jeremiah.
24 Evans, Blackburn B.
118 Faulkner, T. R.
88 Feather, Joseph B.
90 Ford, F. G. W.
60 Friend, David A.
174 Fullerton, Jas. A.
77 Galner, Sylvester.
69 Galway, Thomas E.
26 Graham, C. B.
164 Grose, George W.
103 Grose, James M.
29 Haines, Lorenzo D.
61 Hammond, Joseph A.
153 Hammond, David S.
166 Harkness, Wm. J.
43 Hennon, Wm. R.
86 Hess, John H.
55 Hughes, Robert H.
139 Hunter, Wm.
25 Hutchinson, B. W.
32 Jenkins, Joseph S.
19 Jones, S. Eli.
146 Jones, S. Ernest.
1 Jordan, Lewis H.
46 Kelley, W. W.
57 Kepler, George W.
62 King, E. D. W.
169 King, Spencer.
97 King, F. H. J.
74 King, W. W.
126 Knotts, Marcellus.
65 Lakin, Calvin H.
175 Lee, Joseph.
47 Lovett, Wm. E.
30 Lyda, Andrew J.
171 Lynch, Francis N.
141 Mahone, Bennett D.
80 Marston, George W.
79 Matheny, George W.
4 Mays, Perry C.
7 Meredith, Clinton B.
155 Mick, Asbury.
176 Moore, Archibald.
123 Morris, J. C.
72 Orr, Dexter B.
160 Ownby, Albert W.
170 Perry, A. D.
98 Poling, Cyrus.
129 Prince, Nathan H.
147 Pribble, Ulyses.
125 Rexroad, John C.
54 Richmond, Taylor.
80 Rider, Morgan W.
156 Rihelidaffer, Wm. G.
142 Roberts, Loyd W.
133 Rohrbough, A. B.

162 Sanford, Henry C.
99 Shackelford, C. R.
130 Sharpes, Wm. J.
124 Sharp, J. N.
92 Skidmore, E. R.
136 Stewart, Loren L.
91 Shaw, George C.
140 Shaw, Wm. H.
149 Smith, Warren G.
134 Tambllyn, Silas D.
40 Trippett, C. J.
158 Upton Caleb W.
181 Ward, Richard B.
49 Warden, James M.
85 Warman, Clemmar.
9 Westfall, S. T.
39 White, John J.
12 Williams, George H.
48 Withers, Enoch S.
120 Woodruff, E. C.

DEACONS.**FIRST CLASS.**

179 Anderson, Wm.
36 Beddow, John.
10 Bent, George W.
11 Bent, Parris L.
88½ Cadwell, Burt C.
87 Dean, Willis E.
151 Dunbar, Floyd P.
113 Guinn, Wallace P.
38 Hanna, Eldredge D.
64 Holt, Wm. J.
3 Lewis, George.
138 Meadows, Enoch L.
16 Queen, Floyd W.
5 Rogers, Willie C.
2 Talbott, Martin.
82 Vandervort, Wm. S.
105 Ward, George E.

SECOND CLASS.

109 Adams, Andrew D.
159 Bleakly, Gregory.
108 Carder George L.
Fugate James G.
27 Hammond, Wm. H.
165 Leatherby, Chas. E.
35 McCutcheon, Wm. T.
71 Merrells, Arthur.
4 Robinson, John S.
101 Strader, Jacob C.
168 Wilson, Thos. W.

FIRST YEAR ON TRIAL.

45 Alley, George W.
8 Boylen, Loyd.
41 Bowden, Harry B.
13 Brooks, Benson B.
150 Bunting, Thos. H.
122 Cain, F. M.
37 Claypool, John W.
121 Feather, Charles E.
66 Fisher, Perry D.
128 Friend, Henry E.
128 Hughes, Charles S.
33 Hiatt, Jacob.
106 Jones, Martin L.
42 Kelley, Addison A.
68 Kinder, James M.
14 Marteny, John.
163 Milam, Caleb W.
53 Nicholdson, Wm. S.
81 Nanna, Vinton A.
31 Phillips, Orlando C.
137 Ruble, David W.
70 Sturm, Wm. H.
135 Tonge, Frederick.

102 Workman, Wm. W.

SECOND YEAR ON TRIAL.

177 Arbuthnot, Sam'l K.
119 Correll, Wm. C. L.
59 Cox, Wm. L.
104 Curtis, Andrew J. L.
75 Davis, Elmer A.
127 Enlow, Josephus.
183 Fitzwater, Barzilla.
67 Ireland, Albert L.
178 Mackintosh, Rockliff.
144 Malcolm, Frank L.
182 Smith, George D.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

Bickford, J. H.
Cushing, Chas. W.
Dawson, S. R.
Eichelberger, J. T.
Fugate, J. G.
Hitchens, Samuel.
Orwen, E. H.
Rogers, Gilbert.
Rogers, B. F.
148 Taylor, Marion.
White, Wm. R.
Woodyard, R. L.

SUPERANNUATES.

Benedum, D. S.
Birkitt, John.
Brooks, Robert.
Brooks, Richard L.
Carroll, J. T.
Clark, James L.
Conwell, John.
Doliver, J. J.
Hagar, Benj.
Ison, Benj.
Leslie, Lewis E.
Martin, Gideon.
McGinnis, D. A.
McNeel, Moore.
Morrison, A. T.
Nichols, A. A.
Northcraft, Richard.
Pinchen, John B.
Rager, John W.
Sanford, Vanlinden.
Scott, Hezekiah.
Stevens, Asby.
Wallace, R. M.
Wriston, Wm.
Williams, John A.
Welch, R. S.

SUMMARY OF ROLL.

In full connection and
entitled to vote:
Effective Elders..... 99
Deacons..... 28
Supernumeraries..... 12
Superannuates..... 26
Total..... 165
Less 1 counted twice.. 1
Total..... 164
On Trial, (First Year. 24
" Second " 11
Grand Total..... 199

MINUTES
OF THE
FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
West Virginia Conference

OF THE
Methodist ÷ Episcopal ÷ Church,

HELD AT
WHEELING, W. VA.,
September 30 to October 5th, 1891.

HENRY W. WARREN, Presiding Bishop.

WM. G. RIEHELDAFFER,.....SECRETARY.
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A. W. OWNBY, }
A. D. PERRY, }
J. L. CLARK, TREASURER.
J. H. HESS, }
E. D. W. KING, } *Assistant Treasurers.*
WM. HUNTER, }

FIRST DAY.

WHEELING, W. VA., Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1891.

OPENING SERVICES.—The Forty-fifth Session of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced

Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, in the Fourth Street Church, Wheeling, Bishop H. W. Warren presiding.

The Bishop read part of the tenth chapter of St. Luke, and parts of the eleventh and twelfth chapters of II. Corinthians, and announced the 798th hymn. After singing, the Bishop offered prayer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Presiding Elders.

ROLL CALL.—The roll of the Conference was called by the Secretary of the last session, and 122 answered to their names.

SECRETARIES ELECTED.—On motion, it was ordered that the Secretary be elected by ballot, which resulted, on the first ballot, in the election of W. G. Riheldaffer, and he nominated T. E. Galway and S. D. Tamblын as Assistant Secretaries; J. Engle, Journal Secretary, and J. B. Feather, Railroad Secretary.

Bro. A. Moore was nominated and elected as Statistical Secretary, and the following were appointed as assistants: S. P. Crummitt, J. S. Robinson and E. D. Hanna.

Dr. J. L. Clark was nominated and elected Conference Treasurer, and appointed as his assistants J. H. Hess, E. D. W. King and Wm. Hunter.

The Bishop introduced Dr. Goucher, of the Woman's College, in Baltimore, who spoke very entertainingly in its interest.

STANDING COMMITTEES.—The Presiding Elders reported nominations for Standing Committees. The report was approved. (See list.)

HOURS OF SERVICE.—The time for opening the Conference session was fixed at half-past eight o'clock, the first half hour to be devoted to religious services, and the hour of adjournment at 12 o'clock.

DISPOSITION OF PAPERS.—Various papers were referred to their appropriate committees.

BOOK CONCERN.—The Secretary read the report of the Book Concern. The report was very encouraging.

DRAFTS ORDERED.—The Bishop announced we were entitled to certain moneys, and drafts were ordered on the Chartered Fund for \$30, and on the Book Concern for \$1,356.00. The money was ordered to be paid to the Conference Stewards.

On motion, the case of Dr. G. Martin was referred to the Board of Stewards.

POSTMASTER.—On motion of S. Ernest Jones, C. E. Leatherby was appointed Conference Postmaster.

On motion, Dr. Fullerton was appointed to collect the New York Book Concern accounts, and *Gospel in All Lands*. He appointed as his assistant, W. J. Harkness.

F. N. Lynch was appointed to solicit subscriptions for *The Methodist Review*.

VISITORS INTRODUCED.—R. M. Freshwater, L. H. Stewart, J. R. Keyes, G. F. Oliver and W. H. Rider, of the East Ohio Conference; J. Benson Hamilton, of the New York East Conference, and S. H. Day and J. H. Bickford, transfers to our Conference, were introduced.

Dr. Clark stated that he held four dollars without any direction as to its purpose, and, on motion, he was directed to place the amount to the credit of our Conference Seminary fund.

TWENTIETH QUESTION.—“Was the character of each preacher examined?” was taken up. It was ordered that in making reports, collections for Missions, Conference Claimants and Conference Seminary be reported, and whether all the collections were taken.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.—J. F. Chenoworth, Presiding Elder of the Morgantown District, after the passage of his character, represented the work on his district. Without exception the pastors had been laborious and faithful in all their work. There has been in the past six years a gradual increase in our benevolent collections and pastors' salaries. Expressing his earnest thanks to the ministry and laity for their kindly coöperation and sympathy in the work, hoping to meet them in heaven.

EFFECTIVE ELDERS.—The following, reporting collections, were passed in character, and continued as Effective Elders: W. D. Carrico, C. Warman, J. H. Hess, J. B. Feather, M. W. Rider, E. R. Skidmore, G. C. Shaw, F. G. W. Ford, A. D. Perry, T. W. Chidester, F. H. J. King, C. W. Cox, S. H. Day.

Rev. F. M. Dryden, having surrendered his parchments, was permitted to withdraw from the ministry and membership of the M. E. Church, and his Presiding Elder was instructed to deposit his parchments with the Secretary.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—W. J. Sharpes, Presiding Elder of the Oakland District, after the passage of his character, represented the district, reporting general prosperity in all lines, financial and spiritual, and as for himself he was living in “Beulah Land,” and enjoying its rich fruits.

The following preachers reported their collections, were passed in character, and continued as Effective Elders: T. R. Faulkner, A. A. Nichols, E. C. Woodruff, J. C. Morris, J. N. Sharp, J. C. Rexroad, G. W. Kepler, C. E. Clark, R. S. Welch, A. B. Rohrbough, S. D. Tamblyn.

DEVOTIONAL LEADER.—Bro. C. W. Upton was appointed to lead the prayer service on Thursday morning.

CLOSING.—On motion of J. L. Clark, a session at 2 p. m. was ordered, to collect statistics and other reports.

A. J. Lyda was appointed to preside.

After notices were given by Standing Committees, and various announcements made, the Conference adjourned, doxology was sung, and benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at 2:00 p. m., and was called to order by Dr. A. J. Lyda.

Devotional services were conducted by Asbury Mick.

Roll call by districts. A. Moore received statistics; W. E. Lovett, Conference Claimants fund; Dr. J. L. Clark, Treasurer, received all other collections, and S. D. Tamblyn money for Minutes. The work finished, Conference adjourned; benediction by W. E. Lovett.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, October 1, 1891.

OPENING.—Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, Bishop Warren in the chair. The half hour religious service was conducted by C. W. Upton.

At 9 o'clock Conference resumed business.

JOURNAL.—The Journal of yesterday's sessions was read and approved. The call was made for missing statistics. The Statistical Secretary asked for three more assistants, and C. E. Clark, A. W. Ownby and A. D. Perry were added to the former list.

TRUSTEE.—G. H. Williams requested that a trustee be appointed for the Ward bequest, on the Buckhannon Circuit, whereupon Joseph Lee was nominated and elected such trustee.

WITHDRAWAL.—On motion of W. W. Kelley, J. W. Webb was permitted to withdraw from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and his Presiding Elder was instructed to secure his parchments.

J. H. Bickford, F. H. J. King and S. Gainer were granted leave of absence.

TWENTIETH QUESTION.—Was resumed. Clarksburg District was called. W. W. Kelley, Presiding Elder, after the passage of his character, reported the work on his district.

The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, and they reported their collections: N. L. Bungardner, R. H. Hughes, Taylor Richmond, Gideon Martin, W. E. Lovett, D. A. Friend, E. D. W. King, N. H. Prince.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.—C. H. Lakin, Presiding Elder, was called, and after the passage of his character, reported his district. The future has in store good things for that section of West Virginia.

The following Effective Elders, after the passage of their character, reported their collections: W. W. King, S. Gainer, G. W. Matheny, B. Darlington, G. W. Marston.

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.—C. R. Shackelford, Presiding Elder. His character was passed, and he reported the work on his district.

The following named Elders, after the passage of their character, reported their collections: G. L. Carder, Wm. Hunter.

METHODIST HOSPITAL.—The Bishop stated that he believed in variety, and introduced the Rev. J. S. Breckenridge, the Superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church Hospital, located in the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., who addressed the Conference in reference to its aims and work of mercy.

Dr. W. R. White offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Methodist Episcopal Hospital, located in Brooklyn, N. Y., receives patients from all sections of Methodism, and belongs equally to the entire church; therefore resolved,

1. That we heartily approve the proposition that a bed be supported and endowed therein, to be known as the "West Virginia Conference Bed."

2. That a committee consisting of C. W. Cushing, J. H. Bickford and A. Mick be appointed to confer with J. S. Breckenridge, the Superintendent of said Hospital, as to the best method by which this result may be secured.

3. That we will, on "Hospital Sunday," or on some other suitable Sabbath suggested by the above named committee, call the attention of our people to this most worthy charity, and invite their coöperation in the prosecution of its work.

W. R. WHITE,
G. ROGERS,
S. ELI JONES.

TWENTIETH QUESTION resumed. Parkersburg District was called. L. L. Stewart, Presiding Elder, after the passage of his character, reported the work on his district in a way entirely peculiar to himself. The district has advanced on all lines.

The Effective Elders who reported their collections were: W. H. Shaw, B. D. Mahone, L. W. Roberts, U. Pribble, L. N. Coffield, J. H. Bickford, S. J. Cotton, W. G. Smith, Thomas Cotton.

WHEELING DISTRICT.—S. Ernest Jones, Presiding Elder, after the passage of his character, reported his district work.

The characters of the following Elders were passed, and they reported their collections: J. Engle, C. S. Allemong, C. W. Upton, H. C. Sanford, G. W. Grimes, Spencer King, F. N. Lynch, T. E. Galway, C. W. Cushing, W. G. Riheldaffer, J. A. Fullerton, D. L. Ash, A. Moore, H. R. Blaisdell.

WOMEN AS LAY DELEGATES.—The Bishop called the attention of the Conference to the proposition to amend the second Restrictive Rule, and to the question of the eligibility of women as lay delegates to the Electoral and General Conferences, and asked the Conference when it would be its pleasure to vote upon these two questions.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton, it was decided to take the vote on the eligibility of women now, the vote to be taken by ballot without debate. Tellers were appointed, and the vote taken, which resulted: For admission, 33; against, 63.

On the proposition to amend the second Restrictive Rule, the vote stood 32 for and 65 against.

Dr. S. F. Upham, of Drew Theological Seminary, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in the interests of that great school of the prophets.

TWENTIETH QUESTION resumed.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—C. B. Graham, Presiding Elder. After the passage of his character, he reported the work on his district, and the joys and sorrows of a presiding eldership.

The following Elders reported their collections: A. Mick, L. D. Haines, A. J. Lyda, E. H. Orwen, C. J. Trippet, J. W. Griffiths, W. R. Hennen, P. C. Mays.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.—L. H. Jordan, Presiding Elder, was called, his character passed, and he represented his district, and the report revealed the fact that the people are pushing the work of church building, the elder and preachers leading in this grand work. The Conference Seminary was receiving special attention.

The following named Elders, after their characters were passed, reported their collections: Levi Cross, Joseph Lee, G. H. Williams,

S. T. Westfall, C. B. Meredith, S. Eli Jones, D. F. Carder, Fred. Cottrill, B. B. Evans, B. W. Hutchinson and C. Poling.

WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Mrs. C. E. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of W. F. M. S., was introduced to the Conference, and reported the woman's work. The Bishop also spoke encouragingly of the Society and the grand work it is doing.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.—On motion, the time fixed for electing General Conference delegates was immediately after the admission of the class into full connection on Friday morning.

Joseph Lee was appointed on the Loan and Educational Fund Committee in place of S. Ernest Jones.

On motion of W. J. Sharpes, the relation of Benj. Ison was changed from supernumerary to superannuated; that of A. A. Nichols and R. S. Welch from effective to superannuated; and on motion of W. W. Kelley, that of Gideon Martin was changed from effective to superannuated.

CLOSING.—Conference having adjourned by expiration of time, announcements were made. D. A. Friend was appointed to conduct the prayer meeting Friday morning. Doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 2, 1891.

OPENING.—Conference met at 8:30 a. m. The devotional exercises were led by D. A. Friend.

JOURNAL.—The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

J. L. Clark, Treasurer, made a call for missing reports.

PRESENTATION.—Bro. C. Warman, on behalf of the ministers of the Morgantown District, referred kindly to their retiring Presiding Elder, J. F. Chenoweth, and in token of their love and esteem presented him with a No. 12 copy of the Oxford Bible. Bro. Chenoweth briefly and feelingly responded.

FOURTEENTH QUESTION.—“What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?” was called, and J. M. Grose, D. B. Orr, M. Knotts, E. S. Withers, John J. White, A. W. Ownby, W. J. Harkness and S. P. Crummit, after the usual disciplinary questions, were elected to Elders' orders; and Thos. H. Clark, James G. Fugate, George E. Fisher, J. H. Stratton, A. D. Adams and George L. Carder were continued in the second class of Deacons.

FIFTH QUESTION.—“Who are admitted into full connection?” The class consisting of G. W. Bent, George Lewis, W. E. Dean, W. C. Rogers, Wm. Anderson, Floyd W. Queen, John Beddow, Floyd P. Dunbar, Enoch L. Meadows, E. D. Hanna, John H. Redman, W. S. Vandervort and Martin Talbot was called forward, and the Bishop

addressed them at length on the great work to which they were called, and propounded the usual disciplinary questions. Committee reported their examinations. Their characters passed, they reported their collections and were admitted into full connection, and those not Deacons were elected to Deacons' orders.

S. K. Arbuthnot, having passed his examination at the New England Southern Conference, was so credited.

B. Fitzwater and George D. Smith were continued on trial.

Thomas Nutter was discontinued at his own request.

Wm. Anderson was left without an appointment to attend school.

ELECTION.—The special order of the day, namely, the election of delegates to the General Conference, was taken up. The Bishop announced that the Conference was entitled to four delegates. The tellers were called forward and the Conference proceeded to ballot. The ballot being completed, the tellers retired.

SEVENTH QUESTION.—“Who are received on credentials from other churches?” Joseph S. Jenkins, an Elder from the Methodist Episcopal Church South, was, after answering the usual disciplinary questions, received into full connection, and excused from the course of studies.

A. J. L. Curtis and Wm. L. Cox, who failed to meet their committee on examination, were instructed to meet said committee this afternoon.

J. J. White was appointed in place of W. W. King on said committee, and R. B. Ward was added to the committee.

THIRD QUESTION.—“Who remain on trial?” The names of Frank L. Malcom, Wm. C. L. Correll, Josephus Enlow, Albert L. Ireland, Rockliff Mackintosh and Elmer A. Davis were called. Their characters passed, the committee reported favorably upon their examinations, and they were represented by their Presiding Elders, and were continued on trial.

Rockliff Mackintosh was left without an appointment to attend school.

Albert L. Ireland is to pass examination for first and second years next year.

EIGHTEENTH QUESTION.—“Who are the Supernumerary preachers?” was called, and T. H. Clark, S. R. Dawson, J. T. Eichelberger, George E. Fisher, Samuel Hitchens, Gilbert Rogers, B. F. Rogers, J. H. Stratton, Marion Taylor, Wm. R. White and R. L. Woodyard were continued in this relation.

D. S. Hammond was changed from supernumerary to effective.

THIRTY-FOURTH QUESTION was called. “Where shall the next Conference be held?” Huntington was put in nomination and was selected.

INTRODUCTIONS.—Rev. J. R. Mills, C. E. Manchester, J. I. Willson, Wm. Peregay, T. W. Lane, W. L. Davidson and W. Darby, from East Ohio Conference, and Rev. L. A. Rudisill, of Central Pennsylvania Conference, were introduced.

W. L. Davidson addressed the Conference in the interest of the Sunday School Union and Tract Society.

NINETEENTH QUESTION.—“Who are the Superannuated preach-

ers?" was called, and D. S. Benedum, John Birkitt, Robert Brooks, Richard L. Brooks, J. T. Carroll, J. L. Clark, John Conwell, J. J. Dolliver, Benj. Hagar, Lewis E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, Moore McNeal, A. T. Morriston, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, V. Sanford, Hezekiah Scott, Asby Stevens, R. M. Wallace, Wm. Wriston and J. A. Williams were so continued.

J. T. Davis was placed on the effective list.

Dr. Leonard, Missionary Secretary, was introduced, and addressed the Conference on Missions.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATE.—Tellers returned, and the Bishop announced the election of W. G. Riheldaffer as the first General Conference delegate. No other being elected, a second ballot was taken. The tellers were instructed to post the result of second ballot in the vestibule of the church.

After announcements of committee meetings, the Conference adjourned, with doxology. Benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 3d, 1891.

OPENING.—The Conference opened at 8:30 p. m., Bishop Warren presiding. The devotional exercises were led by J. Engle.

JOURNAL.—The Journal of Friday's session was read and approved.

THIRD QUESTION.—"Who remain on trial?" W. L. Cox and A. J. L. Curtis, after passage of character and report of collections, were continued on trial.

The Bishop announced the result of the second ballot, which was the election of L. L. Stewart and C. H. Lakin as delegates to General Conference.

VISITORS INTRODUCED.—Dr. Chas. H. Payne, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education; Dr. James S. Chadwick, Assistant Secretary of Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society; P. G. Junker, editor of *Der Evangelist*, Bremen, Germany; Dr. W. L. Dixon, President of Scio College; Rev. C. B. Henthorn; Rev. Carmichael, of West Nebraska Conference; Dr. Taylor, of Beaver College; C. S. Collier, of East Ohio Conference; Dr. Cunningham, of the First Presbyterian Church, Wheeling, and Dr. Marsh, of Mount Union College, were introduced.

THIRTEENTH QUESTION.—"Who are the traveling Deacons of the second class?" John S. Robinson, J. C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, W. H. Hammond, Gregory Bleakly, Charles E. Leatherby, Henson L. Ward and Thomas Wilson were passed to this class; and P. L. Bent, W. J. Holt, Wallace P. Guinn and Geo. E. Ward were continued in first class of Deacons.

SIXTEENTH QUESTION.—"What local Deacons have been elected to Elders' orders?" Benson B. Brooks, recommended by Buckhannon District Conference, and John W. Woodruff, recommended by

Jollytown Quarterly Conference, having passed the required examination, were elected to Elders' orders.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.—The Committee on Missions made their report which was adopted.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY.—The Statistical Secretary, on motion, read his report totals by districts.

The vote for fourth General Conference Delegate was taken and the tellers retired.

At this juncture Dr. White called attention to the fact that a committee was present from the Lay Electoral Conference and presented B. F. Martin, the chairman, who spoke for the committee and conference, stating that they were ready to meet the Ministerial Conference in joint session.

The Bishop appointed Dr. Cushing, S. Ernest Jones and Dr. Fullerton to bear the fraternal greetings of the Conference to the Lay Electoral Conference and announce to them that we were ready to receive them at any time.

The central block of seats in the church was vacated. The Lay Electoral Conference appeared, the Ministerial Conference standing while receiving them. Then followed a most pleasant joint session. At its close the Lay Electoral Conference retired and the business was resumed.

The tellers returned. There being no election, the fourth ballot was taken, and the tellers retired.

Dr. Cooke, of the Second Presbyterian Church, Wheeling, was introduced to the Conference.

TENTH QUESTION.—“What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?”

Orlando C. Phillips, Harry B. Bowden, George W. White, James M. Kinder, Vinton A. Nanna, W. W. Workman, Thos. H. Bunting and Jas. D. Smith having passed their examinations and being duly represented, were elected Deacons.

ADDRESSES.—Dr. Chadwick addressed the Conference on the education work of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

Dr. C. H. Payne addressed the Conference on the General Work of the Church on educational lines. The Dr. has a warm place in the hearts of West Virginia Methodist preachers.

The tellers returned and the Bishop announced that L. H. Jordan was elected the fourth delegate to the General Conference.

On motion it was ordered that the two having the next highest number of votes should be “Reserve” delegates. S. Ernest Jones was elected first “Reserve” and Dr. Fullerton second “Reserve” delegate.

DEACONESS WORK.—Rev. H. C. Weekly, of Cincinnati, was introduced and addressed the Conference on the Deaconess work in that city, which was in every way gratifying.

R. H. Hughes made a statement in reference to some misunderstanding between the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Conference, explaining the same, and made a motion that hereafter all the money collected for that Society should go into its treasury. The motion prevailed. Dr. Chadwick expressed his thanks for the action of the

Conference in the premises, and bade us God speed in our work for the coming year.

On motion the money in the hands of the Conference treasurer *i. e.*, the collections of last year for Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society was ordered to be paid to the treasurer of our Conference Seminary.

CLOSING.—After notices were given the Conference adjourned with doxology; benediction by the Bishop.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY MORNING, Oct. 6, 1891.

OPENING.—Conference met at 8:30 a. m. The half-hour Devotional Exercises were conducted by C. B. Meredith.

At 9 o'clock Dr. A. J. Lyda occupied the chair by appointment of the Bishop and called the Conference to order.

JOURNAL.—The Journal of Saturday's session was read and approved.

Dr. Gideon Martin offered his resignation as President of the Conference Historical Society, and nominated J. F. Chenoweth as his successor. His resignation was accepted and J. F. Chenoweth appointed.

The Treasurer of the Permanent fund and the Educational fund made his reports, which, on motion, were received.

Sunday School and Tract Committee made their report, which was adopted.

Dr. Smith, Editor of the Pittsburgh *Christian Advocate*, and Dr. Marsh, President of the Mount Union College; Dr. Taylor, of Beaver College, and Dr. W. L. Dixon, President of Seio College, addressed the Conference on the interests with which they were connected.

Dr. Cushing moved that a special column be prepared in the Minutes in which to place the collections for our Conference Seminary.

A communication was read from the Erie Conference asking that a committee be appointed from this Conference to confer with a like committee from that Conference, with reference to holding a joint Educational Convention, the time and place to be fixed in the near future.

On motion the following were appointed a committee: President, B. W. Hutchinson, S. Ernest Jones and S. H. Day.

Dr. White made report for the Conference Educational Society, asking that one thousand dollars of our Educational fund be turned over to our Conference Seminary Treasurer.

On motion of Dr. Fullerton the report was laid on the table until the afternoon session.

Dr. J. L. Clark, Conference Treasurer, read his report, the Conference directing that the grand totals of the year only be read, noting increase and decrease. Report was received.

At 10:20 a. m. the Bishop appeared and took the chair.

The Bishop presented a list of names for various committees and appointments. They were elected. (See list.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS.—The following committees presented their reports, which were adopted:

Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society, Epworth League, Observance of the Sabbath, Temperance, Educational Loan Fund, Bible Cause, District Conference Records, Presiding Elders' Accounts.

The Bishop read the following names as Triers of Appeals and they were elected: C. W. Upton, S. Gainer, F. H. J. King, C. E. Clark, A. J. Lyda, C. J. Trippett, L. W. Roberts.

L. H. Jordan addressed the Conference on the financial condition of our Conference Seminary, and moved that the former rate of 7 per cent. be reduced to 5 per cent., which was adopted.

The Bishop added some kindly suggestions which will bear fruit in better collections in coming years.

C. B. Graham made a motion that we observe one Sabbath in the coming Conference year in presenting the claims of the Seminary and taking a collection. The motion carried.

C. R. Shackelford asked that leave of absence be granted to Wm Hunter. The Conference so ordered.

The Board of Stewards, through their chairman, B. F. Martin, made their report, which was read, and adopted, and the funds disbursed.

Dr. Cushing stated that he had one hundred dollars given him by a layman to be disbursed to the most needy claimants, which was paid to the persons named. (See Stewards' report.)

On motion it was ordered when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet at 2:30 p. m.

CLOSING.—The Conference adjourned with doxology, and benediction by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

OPENING.—The Conference met at 2:30 p. m.

The devotional exercises were led by M. W. Rider.

JOURNAL.—The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals was read and adopted.

The report of the Conference Educational Society was taken from the table, and on motion of Dr. White was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Education was read and adopted.

A report classifying the Board of Trustees of our Conference Seminary was read by A. B. Rohrbough, and adopted.

On motion of Dr. White, Prof. B. W. Hutchinson, L. H. Jordan, and the Pastor of Buckhannon Station, were appointed a committee to disburse funds in the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society to aid students in our Conference Seminary during the interim of Conference. It was so ordered.

SECRETARY.—The Secretary read his financial report, which was

adopted, and on motion of Dr. Fullerton a collection was taken to meet the incidental expenses; the collection amounted to \$20.63.

The Secretary of the Committee on Missions read by districts amount of missionary appropriation to certain charges; the report was approved.

FIRST QUESTION.—“Who are received by transfer and from what Conference?” The Bishop announced the transfers of Rev. A. E. Barnes from Holston Conference, S. H. Day from New England Southern Conference, and A. S. Arnett from St. John’s River Conference, to this Conference.

SECOND QUESTION.—“Who are admitted on trial?” After the usual disciplinary proceedings the following were admitted: Loyd Boylen, John Marteney, Chas. S. Hughes, Benson B. Brooks, Addison A. Kelley, Harry B. Bowden, Perry E. Fisher, Geo. W. Alley, John W. Claypool, Jacob Hiatt, Orlando C. Philipps, William S. Nicholdson, Frederick Tonge, Vinton A. Nanna, James M. Kinder, Wm. W. Workman, Martin L. Jones, Francis M. Cain, Charles E. Feather, Henry E. Friend, David W. Ruble, Thomas H. Bunting, Caleb W. Milam, William H. Sturm.

SIXTH QUESTION.—“Who are re-admitted?” B. C. Cadwell, on Certificate of Location given by this Conference, was re-admitted.

E. H. Orwen, J. H. Bickford, Charles W. Cushing, J. G. Fugate, at their own request were granted a supernumerary relation.

Various resolutions, on Examination of Classes, Thanks for Entertainment, To the Bishop, Churches, C. W. Cushing and pastors, &c., were presented and adopted. (See resolutions.)

QUESTION TWENTY-SECOND.—“Have any been transferred, and to what Conferences?” The Bishop announced the following transfers: R. E. Benson to the Baltimore Conference, C. E. Shaw to the New York Conference, J. W. Griffiths to the North Dakota Conference, H. L. Ward to the East Ohio Conference, A. L. Curtis to the Des Moines Conference, H. R. Blaisdell to the Kentucky Conference. T. H. Clark, Geo. E. Fisher, J. H. Stratton and J. H. Redmon to the Ohio Conference.

The Journal of the afternoon session having been read and approved, on motion, it was ordered that we adjourn *sine die* after the reading of the appointments.

770th Hymn: “I Love Thy Kingdom Lord,” was sung and a tender and loving prayer was offered by the Bishop. The appointments were read and the Conference adjourned.

WM. G. RIEHELDAFFER,
Secretary.

HENRY W. WARREN,
Presiding Bishop.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Tuesday Evening, 7:30.

Conference Sermon by W. W. King.

Wednesday Afternoon, 3:00.

Veterans' Day Address by J. Benson Hamilton.

Wednesday Evening, 7:30.

Anniversary of the Church Extension Society. Address by W. A. Spencer, and J. S. Breckenridge spoke in the interests of the Brooklyn Hospital.

Thursday Evening, 7:30.

Epworth League Work. Address by J. W. Bashford.

Friday Afternoon, 3:00.

Address on Sunday School and Tract Work by W. L. Davidson.

Friday Evening, 7:30.

Missionary Anniversary. Address by J. A. Fullerton and A. B. Leonard.

Saturday Evening, 7:30.

Educational Anniversary. Platform Meeting.

Sunday Services.

9:00 A. M.—Love Feast. Led by J. L. Clark, followed by the Ordination of Deacons.

10:30 A. M.—Sermon by Bishop Warren.

3:00 P. M.—Memorial Service, followed by Ordination of Elders.

7:30 P. M.—Sermon by Dr. C. H. Payne.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1.—Who are received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?

S. H. Day, from New England Southern Conference; A. E. Barnes, from Holston Conference; A. S. Arnett, from St. John's River Conference.

Q. 2.—Who are admitted on Trial?

Loyd Boylen, John Marteny, Chas. S. Hughes, Benson B. Brooks, Addison A. Kelley, Harry B. Bowden, Perry D. Fisher, George W. Alley, John W. Claypool, Jacob Hiatt, Orlando C. Philipps, Wm. S. Nicholdson, Frederick Tonge, Vinton A. Nanna, James M. Kinder, Wm. W. Workman, Martin L. Jones, F. M. Cain, Chas. E. Feather, Henry E. Friend, David W. Ruble, Thomas H. Bunting, Caleb W. Milam, Wm. H. Sturm.

Q. 3.—Who remain on Trial?

A. J. L. Curtis, W. C. L. Correll, Wm. L. Cox, Elmer A. Davis, Josephus Enlow, Albert L. Ireland, Rockliff Mackintosh, Frank L. Malcolm, Barzilla Fitzwater, Geo. D. Smith, Samuel K. Arbuthnot.

Q. 4.—Who are Discontinued?

Thomas Nutter.

Q. 5.—Who are admitted into Full Connection?

Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, Geo. W. Bent, Willis E. Dean, Floyd P. Dunbar, Eldridge D. Hanna, George Lewis, Enoch L. Meadows, Floyd W. Queen, John H. Redmon, Willie C. Rogers, Martin Talbott, Wm. S. Vandervort,

Q. 6.—Who are Re-admitted?

Burt C. Cadwell.

Q. 7.—Who are received on Credentials from other Churches?

Joseph S. Jenkins, from M. E. Church, South.

Q. 8.—What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?

George W. Bent, Willis E. Dean, Floyd P. Dunbar, George Lewis, Enoch L. Meadows, Floyd W. Queen, John H. Redmon, Willie C. Rogers, Martin Talbott.

Q. 9.—What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?

George W. Bent, Willis E. Dean, Floyd P. Dunbar, George Lewis, Enoch L. Meadows, Floyd W. Queen, John H. Redmon, Willie C. Rogers, Martin Talbott.

Q. 10.—What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?

Orlando C. Philipps, Harry B. Bowden, George W. White, James M. Kinder, Vinton A. Nanna, James D. Smith, Wm. W. Workman, Thos. H. Bunting.

Q. 11.—What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?

Orlando C. Philipps, Harry B. Bowden, George W. White, James M. Kinder, Vinton A. Nanna, James D. Smith, Wm. W. Workman, Thos. H. Bunting.

Q. 12.—Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?

Wm. Anderson, John Beddow, George W. Bent, Willis E. Dean, Floyd P. Dunbar, Eldridge D. Hanna, George Lewis, Enoch L. Meadows, Floyd W. Queen, Willie C. Rogers, Martin Talbott, Wm. S. Vandervort, Parris L. Bent, Wm. J. Holt, Wallace P. Guinn, Geo. E. Ward, Burt C. Cadwell.

Q. 13.—Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?

Andrew D. Adams, George L. Carder, James G. Fugate, John S. Robinson, Jacob C. Strader, Wm. T. McCutcheon, Arthur Merrells, Wm. H. Hammond, G. Bleakly, C. E. Leatherby, Thomas W. Wilson.

Q. 14.—What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?

Simon P. Crummitt, James M. Grose, Wm. J. Harkness, Marcellus Knotts, Dexter B. Orr, Albert W. Ownby, Enoch S. Withers, John J. White.

Q. 15.—What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?

Simon P. Crummitt, James M. Grose, Wm. J. Harkness, Marcellus Knotts, Dexter B. Orr, Albert W. Ownby, Enoch S. Withers, John J. White.

Q. 16.—What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?

Benson B. Brooks, John W. Woodruff.

Q. 17.—What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?

Benson B. Brooks, John W. Woodruff.

Q. 18.—Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

S. R. Dawson, J. T. Eichelberger, Samuel Hitchens, Gilbert Rogers, B. F. Rogers, Marion Taylor, Wm. R. White, R. L. Woodyard, E. H. Orwen, J. G. Fugate, J. H. Bickford, Chas. W. Cushing.

Q. 19.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

D. S. Benedum, John Birkitt, Robert Brooks, Richard L. Brooks, J. T. Carroll, J. L. Clark, John Conwell, J. J. Dolliver, Benjamin Hagar, Benjamin Ison, Lewis E. Leslie, D. A. McGinnis, Gideon Martin, Moore McNeel, A. T. Morrison, A. A. Nichols, Richard Northcraft, J. B. Pinchen, J. W. Reger, Vanlinden Sanford, Hezekiah Scott, Asby Stevens, R. M. Wallace, R. S. Welch, Wm. Wriston, J. A. Williams.

Q. 20.—Was the character of each Preacher examined?

This was strictly done, as each preacher's name was called in open Conference.

Q. 21.—Have any died?

James W. W. Bolton, George Crossfield and Thos. H. Trainer.

Q. 22.—Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?

R. E. Benson, to the Baltimore Conference; C. E. Shaw, to the New York Conference; J. W. Griffiths, to the North Dakota Conference; H. L. Ward, to East Ohio Conference; A. L. Curtis, to Des Moines Conference; H. R. Blaisdell, to Kentucky Conference; T. H. Clark, George E. Fisher, J. H. Stratton and J. H. Redmon, to the Ohio Conference.

Q. 23.—Have any withdrawn?

M. F. Dryden, J. W. Webb.

Q. 24.—Have any been located at their own request?

None.

Q. 25.—Have any been located?

None.

Q. 26.—Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges or complaints?

None.

Q. 27.—Have any been expelled?

None.

Q. 28.—Who are selected to be the Triers of Appeals?

C. W. Upton, S. Gainer, F. H. J. King, C. E. Clark, A. J. Lyda, C. J. Trippett, L. W. Roberts.

Q. 29.—What is the Statistical Report for this Conference year?

Probationers, 2,434; Full Members, 39,899; Local Preachers, 248.

Q. 30.—What is the Conference Treasurer's report for this Conference year?

\$12,874.09.

Q. 31.—What are the claims on the Conference Fund?

\$3,505.00.

Q. 32.—What has been received on these claims, and how has it been applied?

\$3,505.00. (See Steward's report.)

Q. 33.—Where are the Preachers stationed?

See appointments.

Q. 34.—Where shall the next Conference be held?

Huntington, W. Va.

Appointments of the Preachers.

BUCKHANNON DISTRICT.

1. *L. H. Jordan, P. E., 5. Postoffice, Buckhannon, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
2	Barbour.....	2	Martin Talbott.....	Philippi.....	Barbour..	W. Va.
3	Belington.....	1	George Lewis.....	Belington.....	"	"
4	Beverly.....	1	J. S. Robinson.....	Beverly.....	Randolph	"
5	Braxton.....	2	W. C. Rogers.....	Flat Woods.....	Braxton..	"
6	Buckhannon.....	1	C. E. Clark.....	Buckhannon...	Upshur..	"
7	Buckhannon Circuit	1	C. B. Meredith.....	Peck's Run....	"	"
8	Camden.....	2	Loyd Boylen.....	Camden.....	Lewis....	"
9	East Buckhannon.....	2	S. T. Westfall.....	Buckhannon...	Upshur..	"
10	Elkins.....	1	G. W. Bent.....	Elkins.....	Randolph	"
11	Freemansburg.....	2	P. L. Bent.....	Freemansburg..	Lewis....	"
12	Frenchton.....	1	G. H. Williams.....	Rock Cave.....	Upshur..	"
13	Glenville.....	1	B. B. Brooks.....	Glenville.....	Gilmer....	"
14	Hacker's Valley.....	1	John Marteney.....	Hacker's Valley	Webster..	"
15	Helvetia.....		To be supplied....	Helvetia.....	Upshur..	"
16	Holly Grove.....	1	F. W. Queen.....	Holly Grove....	"	"
17	Ireland.....	1	J. L. B. Jones (sup)	Ireland.....	Lewis....	"
18	Mingo.....	1	C. S. Hughes.....	Valley Head....	Randolph	"
19	Philippi.....	2	S. Eli Jones.....	Philippi.....	Barbour..	"
20	South Buckhann'n	2	D. F. Carder.....	Buckhannon...	Upshur..	"
21	Sutton.....	2	R. E. Hughes (sup)	Sutton.....	Braxton..	"
22	Troy.....	3	F. Cottrill.....	Troy.....	Gilmer....	"
23	Webster.....	1	J. T. Davis.....	Addison.....	Webster..	"
24	Weston.....	4	B. B. Evans.....	Weston.....	Lewis....	"

25. B. W. Hutchinson, President West Virginia Conference Seminary, member of Buckhannon Quarterly Conference.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

26. *C. B. Graham, P. E., 2. Postoffice, Charleston, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
27	Calhoun.....	2	W. H. Hammond.....	Rilda.....	Calhoun..	W. Va.
28	Charleston.....	1	S. J. Cotton.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	"
29	Charleston Circuit.	2	L. D. Haines.....	Young's Mills..	"	"
30	Clifton and Mason	3	A. J. Lyda.....	Clifton.....	Mason....	"
31	Cottageville.....	1	O. C. Phillips.....	Cottageville....	Jackson..	"
32	Danaville.....	2	J. S. Jenkins.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha	"
33	East Charleston.....	2	Jacob Hiatt.....	Glen Elk.....	"	"
34	Elk City.....		To be supplied....	"	"	"
35	Fisher's.....	2	W. T. McCutcheon.	Fisher's Point..	Jackson..	"
36	Hartford City.....	1	John Beddow.....	Hartford City..	Mason....	"
37	Leon.....	1	J. W. Claypool.....	Leon.....	"	"
38	Malden.....	3	E. D. Hanna.....	Malden.....	Kanawha.	"
39	Noble.....	2	J. J. White.....	Lockharts.....	Jackson..	"
40	Point Pleasant.....	2	C. J. Trippett.....	Point Pleasant	Mason....	"
41	Ravenswood.....	1	H. B. Bowden.....	Ravenswood....	Jackson..	"
42	Raymond City.....	1	A. A. Kelly.....	Poco.....	Putnam...	"
43	Ripley.....	2	W. R. Hennen.....	Jackson C. H....	Jackson..	"
44	Spencer.....	3	P. C. Mays.....	Spencer.....	Roane....	"
45	Walton.....	3	George W. Alley...	Walton.....	"	"

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT.

46. *W. W. Kelley, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Parkersburg, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
47	Bridgeport.....	1	W. E. Lovett.....	Bridgeport.....	Harrison..	W. Va.
48	Cherry Camp.....	2	E. S. Withers.....	Cherry Camp..	"	"
49	Clarksburg.....	2	J. M. Warden.....	Clarksburg..	"	"
50	Enterprise.....	2	T. McCoy (sup)....	Enterprise.....	Marion....	"
51	Fairmont.....	1	J. Engle.....	Fairmont.....	"	"
52	Farmington.....	1	J. W. Woodruff (sup)	Farmington....	"	"
53	Logansport.....	2	W. S. Nicholson..	Logansport....	"	"
54	Lumberport.....	1	T. Richmond.....	Lumberport....	Harrison..	"
55	Mannington.....	2	R. H. Hughes.....	Mannington....	Marion....	"
56	Marion.....	1	L. Cross.....	Barracksville..	"	"
57	Mount Clare.....	1	G. W. Kepler.....	Mt. Clare.....	Harrison..	"
58	Parkers.....	1	G. A. Doyle (sup)..	Parkers.....	Doddridge	"
59	Pine Grove.....	3	W. L. Cox.....	Pine Grove....	Wetzel....	"
60	Pruntytown.....	2	D. A. Friend.....	Pruntytown....	Taylor....	"
61	Smithton.....	2	J. A. Hammond....	Smithton.....	Doddridge	"
62	West Milford.....	2	E. D. W. King.....	West Milford..	Harrison..	"
63	Wilsonburg.....	1	G. W. White (sup)..	Wilsonburg....	"	"

64. W. J. Holt, Professor of Phonography and Typewriting in Scio College, member of West Milford Quarterly Conference.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

65. *C. H. Lakin, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Huntington, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
66	Cassville.....	1	Perry D. Fisher....	Fort Gay.....	Wayne....	W. Va.
67	Ceredo.....	1	A. L. Ireland.....	Ceredo.....	"	"
68	Coal River.....	1	James M. Kinder....	Peytonia.....	Boone....	"
69	East Huntington..	1	T. E. Galway.....	Huntington....	Cabell....	"
70	East Hamlin.....	1	W. H. Sturm.....	Jenks.....	Lincoln..	"
71	Fairfields.....	2	A. Merrells.....	Fairfield.....	Kanawha..	"
72	Guyandotte.....	1	D. B. Orr.....	Guyandotte....	Cabell....	"
73	Hamlin.....	1	To be supplied....	Hamlin.....	Lincoln..	"
74	Huntington.....	2	W. W. King.....	Huntington....	Cabell....	"
75	Huntington Circuit	2	E. A. Davis.....	"	"	"
76	Laurel Hill.....	1	S. Payton (sup)....	Ona.....	"	"
77	Milton.....	1	S. Garner.....	Milton.....	"	"
78	Monticello.....	1	J. F. Arnold (sup)..	Verranda.....	Mason....	"
79	St. Albans.....	1	G. W. Metheny....	St. Albans....	Kanawha..	"
80	Wayne.....	2	G. W. Marston....	Dickson.....	Wayne....	"
81	Winfield.....	1	V. A. Nanna.....	Winfield.....	Putnam...	"
82	Winfrede.....	1	W. S. Vandervort..	Winfrede.....	Kanawha..	"

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.

83. *D. L. Ash, P. E., 1. Postoffice, Grafton, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
84	Arnettsville.....	2	W. D. Carrico.....	Arnettsville..	Monong'a	W. Va.
85	Blacksville.....	4	C. Warman.....	Blacksville....	"	"
86	Grafton.....	4	J. H. Hess.....	Grafton.....	Taylor....	"
87	Halleck.....	2	W. E. Dean.....	Halleck.....	Preston...	"
88	Jollytown.....	3	J. B. Feather.....	Jollytown.....	Greene....	Penn.
88½	"	1	B. C. Cadwell.....	"	"	"
89	Kingwood.....	3	M. W. Rider.....	Kingwood.....	Preston...	W. Va.
90	Knottsville.....	1	F. G. W. Ford.....	Knottsville....	Taylor....	"
91	Littleton.....	2	G. C. Shaw.....	Hundred.....	Wetzel....	"
92	Mason town.....	1	E. R. Skidmore....	Mason town....	Preston...	"
93	Morgantown.....	2	S. H. Day.....	Morgantown....	"	"
94	Morgantown Circuit	1	C. W. Cox.....	Easton.....	"	"
95	Monongalia.....	4	T. W. Chidester....	Morgantown....	"	"
96	Mount Zion.....	4	Sam'l Harris (sup)..	Mt. Harmony..	"	"
97	Palatine.....	2	F. H. J. King.....	Palatine.....	Marion....	"
98	Tunnelton.....	1	C. Poling.....	Tunnelton.....	Preston...	"

NEW RIVER DISTRICT.

99. *C. R. Shackelford, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Charleston, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
100	Boone	2	C. W. Myers (sup)...	Hewitt	Boone.....	W. Va.
101	Clay	2	J. C. Strader	Servia	Braxton ..	"
102	Concord	2	W. W. Workman	Concord	Mercer ..	"
103	Claremont	3	J. M. Grose	Claremont	Fayette ..	"
104	Elk River	1	A. J. L. Curtis	Osborne's Mills	Roane ..	"
105	Fayette	1	G. E. Ward	Kineaid	Fayette ..	"
106	Flat Top	1	M. L. Jones	Shady Springs	Raleigh ..	"
107	Hinton	1	D. W. English (sup)	Hinton	Summers ..	"
108	Logan	4	G. L. Carder	Logan C. H.	Logan ..	"
109	Mountain Cove	2	A. D. Adams	Leander	Fayette ..	"
110	Nicholas	1	A. S. Arnett	Keslers X Lanes	Nicholas ..	"
111	Oceana		To be supplied	Oceana	Wyoming ..	"
112	Oilville	2	P. P. Morgan (sup)			"
113	Ophelia	4	W. P. Gwinn	Ophelia	Nicholas ..	"
114	Pleasant Retreat	1	B. Darlington	Pleasant Retreat	Clay ..	"
115	Raleigh	1	G. R. Mays (sup)	Raleigh C. H.	Raleigh ..	"

OAKLAND DISTRICT.

116. *N. L. Baumgardner, P. E., 1. P. O., Mt. Lake Park Md.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
117	Albrightsville	1	John Rexroad (sup)	Cuzzart	Preston ..	W. Va.
118	Aurora	1	T. R. Faulkner	Aurora	" ..	"
119	Bayard	1	W. C. L. Correll	Bayard	Grant ..	"
120	Brandonville	2	E. C. Woodruff	Brandonville	Preston ..	"
121	"	1	C. E. Feather	"	" ..	"
122	Cranesville	1	F. M. Cain	Cranesville	Preston ..	W. Va.
123	Davis	2	J. C. Morris	Davis	Tucker ..	"
124	Deer Park	3	J. N. Sharp	Deer Park	Garrett ..	Md.
125	Evansville	2	J. C. Rexroad	Evansville	Preston ..	W. Va.
126	Friendsville	2	M. Knotts	Friendsville	Garrett ..	Md.
127	Grantsville	2	J. H. Enlow	Grantsville	" ..	Md.
128	Hannahsville	2	H. E. Friend	Hannahsville	Tucker ..	W. Va.
129	Newburg	1	N. H. Prince	Newburg	Preston ..	"
130	Oakland	1	W. J. Sharps	Oakland	Garrett ..	Md.
131	Pleasant Grove	1	E. C. Bedford (sup)	Fellowsville	Preston ..	W. Va.
132	Red Creek	2	J. Adamson (sup)	Red Creek	Tucker ..	"
133	Rowlesburg	2	A. B. Rohrbough	Rowlesburg	Preston ..	"
134	Terra Alta	3	S. D. Tamblin	Terra Alta	" ..	"
135	Thomas	1	Fred Tonge	Thomas	Tucker ..	"

PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.

136. *L. L. Stewart, P. E., 3. Postoffice, Williamstown, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
137	Belleville	2	D. W. Ruble	Belleville	Wood	W. Va.
138	Cairo	1	E. L. Meadows	Cairo	" ..	"
139	Centreville	1	Wm. Hunter	Ripleys	Tyler ..	"
140	Elizabeth	2	W. H. Shaw	Wirt C. H.	Wirt ..	"
141	Ellenboro	3	B. D. Mahone	Ellenboro	Ritchie ..	"
142	Harrisville	1	L. W. Roberts	Ritchie C. H.	" ..	"
143	Kanawha	4	D. Smith (sup)	Dallison	Wood ..	"
144	Middlebourne	1	F. L. Macolm	Middlebourne	Tyler ..	"
145	Newark	4	L. N. Coffield	Newark	Wirt ..	"
146	Parkersburg	1	S. Ernest Jones	Parkersburg	Wood ..	"
147	Parkersburg Circ't	1	U. Pribble	Buffington	" ..	"
148	Pleasants	2	M. Taylor (sup)	Maxwell	Pleasants ..	"
149	Sistersville	3	W. G. Smith	Sistersville	Tyler ..	"
150	Shiloh	2	J. H. Bunting	Shiloh	" ..	"
151	Smithville	1	F. P. Dunbar	Smithville	Ritchie ..	"
152	West Union	4	S. P. Crummitt	West Union	Doddridge ..	"
153	Williamstown	1	D. S. Hammond	Williamstown	Wood	"

154. Thos. Cotton, agent American Bible Society, member of Parkersburg Quarterly Conference.

WHEELING DISTRICT.

155. *Asbury Mick, P. E., 1.* *Postoffice, Wheeling, W. Va.*

No.	Names of Charges.	Year	Preachers.	Post Offices.	County.	State.
156	Ben wood.....	1	W. G. Riheldaffer..	Wheeling.....	Ohio	W. Va.
157	Cameron.....	3	C. S. Allemong.....	Cameron.....	Marshall..	"
158	Dallas	2	C. W. Upton.....	Dallas	"	"
159	Fulton	1	G. Bleakley.....	Wheeling.....	Ohio	"
160	Graysville.....	2	A. W. Ownby.....	Graysville..	Marshall..	"
161	Greene	2	J. D. Smith (sup)...	Silver Hill...	Wetzel....	"
162	Marshall	2	H. C. Sanford.....	Sherrard.....	Marshall..	"
163	McMechen.....	1	C. W. Milam	McMechen	"	"
164	Moundsville.....	2	G. W. Grimes	Moundsville..	"	"
165	Moundsville Circ't.	2	C. E. Leatherby.....	"	"	"
166	New Martinsville..	2	W. J. Harkness.....	New Martins'e.	Wetzel....	"
167	New Martins'v'e Ct	3	A. E. Barnes	"	"	"
168	Pleasant Valley...	1	T. W. Wilson.....	Pleasant Valley	Marshall..	"
169	Short Cr'k & Lib'ty	3	Spencer King.....	West Liberty...	Ohio	"
170	Triadelphia.....	1	A. D. Perry.....	Triadelphia...	"	"
WHEELING.						
171	Chapline Street....	3	F. N. Lynch	Wheeling.....	"	"
172	Fourth Street.....	..	To be supplied	"	"	"
173	North Street.....	1	J. F. Chenoweth...	"	"	"
174	Thomson Church...	2	J. A. Fullerton.....	"	"	"
175	Wesley Chapel.....	1	J. Lee.....	"	"	"
176	Zane Street.....	2	A. Moore	"	"	"
177.	S. K. Arbuthnot,					
178.	Rockliff Mackintosh.					
179.	Wm. Anderson,					
180.	D. A. Denton,					
181.	R. B. Ward,					
182.	G. D. Smith and					
183.	B. M. Fitzwater left without appointment to attend school.					

Memoirs.

REV. J. W. W. BOLTON

Died March 19, 1891, in his 57th year, at Palatine, West Virginia, while pastor of the Fairmont charge.

His death was sudden. He had just closed the services of a very interesting revival, when he was attacked by the malady which was not regarded as beyond the reach of medical skill, and which his friends hoped would be overcome by his apparently robust constitution. A heart trouble, however, followed and his vigorous form yielded to its power.

Brother Bolton was converted in his youth, and for twenty-six years served in the ministerial ranks, a workman that needed not to be ashamed. When the civil war broke out he was moved by patriotic instincts to enlist in the army. He raised a company of fellow soldiers. From the rank of captain he was promoted to a chaplaincy, serving in this office with great acceptability till he was wounded. At the close of the war he resumed his pastoral work, filling some of the most important appointments in the Conference. He was Presiding Elder two terms and was honored by his brethren with a seat in the General Conference. With an attractive personal presence, he graced the pulpit with ministerial dignity. His mental powers were of a high order. Noted for polemical skill and remarkable knowledge of the scriptures, he was a foe to be dreaded by assailants of the doctrines he loved to preach. He was devoted to study, especially of the Word of Life, an expounder rather than an exhorter, a commentator rather than an illustrator. His convictions were not more pronounced than his courage in their proclamation. A christian gentleman, he was as commanding out of the pulpit as well as in it. Gifted and genial, he won the friendship of many who will long embalm his name in their memory.

REV. GEORGE CROSFIELD.

George Crosfield was born in Leeds, England, September 23, 1821, and died at his residence in Berkeley Springs, W. Va., March 5, 1891. Early in life he girded himself for Christian warfare.

He married Dorothy, the daughter of William and Abigail Botterill, of Bramham, England, April 24, 1843, and on the 10th day of the following May, sailed from Hull in the ship *Fergus* for Quebec, Canada. They settled in Adelaide, near London, Canada West, and for more than twenty years labored as Methodist itinerants with true heroism. Brother Crosfield was licensed to preach in 1844, was ordained deacon in 1849, and elder in 1852. The record of these with his subsequent

years in Canada, would, if written, be thrilling. The long and severe winters of Canada were very trying both to Brother Crosfield and his family, hence he sought a milder climate. At the close of the late civil war he was transferred to Baltimore Conference. He remained with it six or seven years, during which he proved himself a friend to loyalty, and a magnificent defender of Methodism.

On Romney Circuit, one of his appointments, he was compelled to fight for the roof that sheltered his family, the Bible from which he had to preach, and the property belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church. Methodism in that locality probably owes its very existence to his courageous service. He is well remembered as a preacher of more than ordinary ability, brilliant in repartee, and fearless in duty. For some reason he was transferred to West Virginia Conference, and continued a member of that body. In 1882, his health failing, he asked a superannuated relation, and had been living in the midst of his children at Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

Brother Crosfield died of general paralysis, brought on by a fall from a horse, in November, 1890. Many times his face would light up, tears of joy roll down his cheeks, while lifting himself up, he would shout with great earnestness, "Glory! Hallelujah!" He lingered until March 5, 1891, when falling into a gentle sleep, he passed to the other shore. He leaves a wife and four children: Mr. J. B. Crosfield, of Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Jeffrey, of Parkersburg, W. Va., and Mrs. Dirher and Mr. William Crosfield, both of Berkeley Springs, W. Va. The writer was called home from Conference at Washington, D. C., to conduct the funeral service. It was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was thronged by a vast audience. His body was laid to rest in our beautiful cemetery.

W. A. CARROLL.

REV. T. H. TRAINER.

T. H. Trainer died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Thos. Evans, in Benwood, W. Va., April 19, 1891, aged seventy-one years, and in the forty-second year of his ministry. He had been somewhat infirm for two years, in consequence of which, in part, he failed to attend the Conference at Weston last year. His disease at first seemed to be but a slight malarial affection, but it soon assumed a typhoid form, and increased in virulence until "the silver cord was loosed" and the spirit returned to God who gave it. But though he gradually grew worse, his departure was sudden. No one thought "the inevitable hour" so near; nay, all hoped for his recovery. But upon being raised up in bed he expired at once without a struggle or a groan.

Brother Trainer was born in Augusta county, Virginia, Jan. 20, 1820. He became the subject of saving grace and consecrated himself to the service of God in the year 1848. He was an efficient exhorter, and was licensed as a local preacher in 1849. He began his public ministry and was admitted on trial at the Conference held at Weston, June 8, 1853. His successive appointments were Lumberport, Monongalia, Fetterman, Marion, Grave Creek, Marshall, Wesley Chapel, Mannington, Benwood, Presiding Elder Guyandotte District, Morgantown Cir-

cuit, Blacksville. In the year 1887 he took a superannuated station.

Sometime during the year 1837, at Beverly, Va., he was married to Jane Hart, who died December 10, 1874. August 10, 1875, he was married to Mrs. Urana Loyd, who died June 10, 1881. March, 1882, he was married to Elizabeth Tibbs, who lives at Morgantown, W. Va. By his first wife he had thirteen children, two of whom are dead. He had a fine physique and strong, well-balanced mind, a genial temperament and a pronounced religious experience. His sermons were models of symmetry, clearness and culminating force. He had a ready command of good language, which molded into original and sometimes delightfully apt and quaint forms of expression. His voice was rich and musical, and he was successful in winning souls and in edifying the church. He was a member of the first constitutional convention which assembled in Wheeling, November 26, 1861. He served as chaplain in the Twelfth West Virginia Infantry, and represented Marshall county in the House of Delegates in 1865-6. Like Jehoiada the priest, he has a noble civil record for a man in the sacred ministry. He was loyal to the church, his country and his God.

His last testimony was given in a class-meeting just two weeks before he died, in which he said: "I am enjoying this morning much of the presence of the Holy Spirit. I have humbly endeavored to help God in making this world better; how far I have succeeded, God knows. He has the record, and I am now ready to cross the Jordan and meet the final test of my life and work. Glory to God for such a Saviour!" Brother Trainer was a faithful friend, an affectionate husband and father. The funeral services were held in the church at Moundsville, under the supervision of the Rev. S. E. Jones, presiding elder of the Wheeling District, after which his mortal part was conveyed to Mount Rose cemetery, and laid beside the sleeping dust of his first wife, who had shared so long in the toils and trials of the itinerant life, there to await "the resurrection of the just."

J. ENGLE.

MRS. JOANA C. WARDEN.

Mrs. Joana C. Warden was born in Washington county, Pa., April 24, 1832, and died at her son's, Rev. Wm. M. Warden, in Middlefield, Conn., August 15, 1891. She was converted at nine years of age, and ever after led a consistent Christian life. She was united in marriage with Rev. J. M. Warden, in 1854. She was a devoted Christian, a faithful wife and an affectionate mother. With joy she entered into the work of the ministry with her husband, and was faithful until called to her reward. Her life was consistent with her profession of religion, and she approached death with calm assurance that all was well with her soul. In the death of Sister Warden, her husband has lost an affectionate and devoted wife and the church a faithful member. Her death was triumphant, and her faithful husband and seven children who survive her, have the comfort of those who look forward with hope of reunion in heaven.

MISS BELL UPTON.

Miss Bell Upton, daughter of Rev. C. W. Upton, born near Philippi, W. Va., February 8, 1865, died in Dallas, W. Va., September 10, 1891. In recording these events we record a severe bereavement to a minister's household. The only child of her parents. She had, by her devotion to Christ and her affectionate manner, become a light and a joy to their humble home. For many years imperfect health had made her an object of parental solicitude, but her affliction was a sanctified one and made it a ministry of love to all who knew her. Ripening for the joys of the better land during these long years of suffering, she at last crossed the silent river to the land of the immortal.

MRS. MAUD OSA HANNA.

Mrs. Maud Osa Hanna, *née* Lackey, was born in Delaware county, Ohio, August 14, 1867. She was known as a Christian from her childhood; she was bright and accomplished. She and Rev. E. D. Hanna were married June 26, 1889, the day before Brother Hanna graduated at the O. W. U. Her highest thought was to be a worker for Jesus. All her talk in her illness was about the ministry. She died October 9, 1890, one of the happiest of Christian deaths. She leaves a husband and a treasure of a little daughter, and many friends, but the separation is not final. Heaven opened up before her and the closing part of life was the very vestibule of heaven. She called her relatives to her and delivered to each a charge. She sang parts of "Jesus calls me," "Meet me there," and "I'm going home to die no more." As she neared the chilly river she said "I see the New Jerusalem." "Her sun is set while it is yet day," but to rise more brilliantly to set no more.

C. B. GRAHAM.



REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Report of the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Education have received reports from many institutions of learning in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Maryland, inviting patronage from West Virginia. We rejoice in the encouraging accounts these reports contain of improvement and success. In the great educational department of the church we all have an undiminished interest, and we will always rejoice in the prosperity of all our schools. It would crowd our report to make deserving notice of all of them, and wishing them God-speed in their crusade against ignorance and their championship of the higher intellectual culture, we now direct our attention to matters that concern us as West Virginians. Pre-eminent consideration should be accorded our

THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS.

They have become a factor of spiritual power in Methodism. We have been exceedingly fortunate in the faculties which have been chosen. The departments of criticism, exegesis and other branches have found instructors felicitously adapted to the great work of Bible study, and better than all the unction of the Holy Spirit has dowered their hearts as well as their brains with apostolic fervor.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1. The Board of Education is one of the great educational enterprises of our church, and we rejoice over the excellent work which it is doing in promoting the interests of education throughout the church. We heartily endorse the efforts of its Secretary, Dr. C. H. Payne, to secure unity, harmony and greater efficiency in the management of all our educational interests. We especially approve the "plan for the federation of our institutions of learning," prepared by Dr. Payne, and we recommend it to the General Conference for adoption in its essential features.

2. Children's Day is an agency capable of accomplishing great good. We heartily recommend its general observance and the use of the exercises prepared by the Board of Education.

3. We also recommend that a collection for the "Children's Fund" be taken on Children's Day in all our Sunday Schools; that this collection be reported separately and placed in a separate column in our Conference minutes, and that the proceeds of this collection be forwarded to the Board of Education at New York.

4. We recommend, in accordance with the advice of the Board of Bishops, that hereafter all other money contributed for the cause of education, be reported separately, and placed in our minutes under the head of Conference Seminary and be paid to the Trustees of the Seminary.

The Woman's College, Baltimore, Md., deserves special attention as the outgrowth of the provision which the M. E. Church has always manifested for home life and social happiness. It does not antagonize co-education while it aims to provide special training for young ladies who could not obtain this in mixed schools as they are now conducted. The modern sanitary and physical development specialties of this college are even with the advance of the times and the success the school has won is one evidence of its merits.

AN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.

under the auspices of the M. E. Church, is another sign that the Church is awake to the interests and demands of this century. The site of this university is at the National Metropolis, and most conspicuously adapted for the purpose for which it was purchased. The Methodist Church can not fail to recognize the need of such an enterprise, and will doubtless respond with material aid of a most generous type.

THE CONFERENCE SEMINARY,

after one year's probation, imperatively demands special regard. The experience of this one year removes every misgiving as to its being the one great need in our educational work in this State. The University at Morgantown, the Normal and the common schools, have no interests that conflict with our Conference school. They all act in unison to one common end—the diffusion of useful knowledge—and therefore we heartily endorse and pledge ourselves to support them. Indeed, we can see that it is partnership which will inure to the well-being of all. Our own Seminary comes to this day with commanding claims. The stately and attractive building which graces the valley at Buckhannon, the phenomenal success of the first year's work, the most excellent corps of instructors, the thorough training of the students, and satisfactory government of the faculty, put us under obligation that no financial support shall be wanting to make this school first among equals. We have a strong impression that a large portion of our people do not know the undeveloped material wealth of the interior counties of our State. Virgin forests of valuable timber, vast stores of minerals, large areas of blue grass lands, give us cause to say

THE RUDIMENTS OF EMPIRE HERE

are plastic yet, and warm, challenging brain and muscle to prosperous endeavor. This challenge has at last met with some response. The valleys which traverse this incipient empire are feeling the impulse of individual activities, and our school stands as a beacon light to encourage greater enterprises.

But we are in financial straits. Help is needed immediately. Help us or we sink. We call for money. Our very need makes us hopeful. Where are the hearts of our wealthy laymen? Soon Buckhannon will be in the centre of our State. A day's travel will take one from Wheeling or Charleston to the school. Students will find a healthy rural city. A large campus will make the school a sanitarium for city patrons. Every inducement presents itself for *student* patronage, let us have the *money* supply. We respectfully request the continuance of the apportionment plan for the ensuing year, and recommend that the contributions for our school take the precedence of all other claims. We recommend also a hearty co-operation with the president when he may visit the appointments, to solicit pupils and funds. We name the following for confirmation visitors:

Women's College, Baltimore, Md.—W. R. White, B. W. Hutchinson.

De Pauw.—J. H. Bickford, L. L. Stewart.

Pittsburgh Female College.—Dr. Fullerton, A. Mick.

Beaver College.—J. H. Hess, D. L. Ash.

Mt. Union College.—W. G. Riheldaffer, T. E. Galway.

Trustee Ohio Wesleyan University.—J. C. McGrew. Visitors—A. Moore, C. B. Graham.

Drew.—Dr. C. W. Cushing.

Boston University.—W. W. King.

Seio.—J. Engle.

Allegheny—Board of Control.—B. F. Martin, B. W. Hutchinson, L. H. Jordon, F. H. Crago.

West Va. Conference Seminary.—Visitors—W. W. Kelley, S. H. Day, F. N. Lynch, C. E. Clark, G. W. Grimes, E. D. W. King, Prof. W. P. Willey, Dr. E. C. Lochery. Trustee, vice E. H. Orwen—C. B. Graham.

W. R. WHITE, *Chairman.*

Report of Committee on Conference Educational Society.

The committee appointed by the West Virginia Annual Conference, 1890, to investigate the affairs of the Conference Educational Society, met at Clarksburg June 15th, 1891. W. R. White, S. E. Jones and B. W. Hutchinson, present.

W. R. White was elected president, and B. W. Hutchinson, Secretary.

1. Voted that the trustees having control of the funds of the Educational Society of the Conference, be requested to transfer said funds and assets to B. F. Martin, as treasurer of the Conference Seminary, to be held by him subject to the direction of Conference.

(The trustees in session the same day, voted unanimously to make said transfer of the funds in hand of Dr. J. L. Clark.)

2. The committee do further recommend that the trustees of the Conference Seminary be, and are hereby constituted a board of trustees, to hold said funds for the West Virginia Conference, and to disburse them only by order of the Conference.

3. Also recommend the appropriation of \$1,000 of the fund as soon as it shall be collected, to relief of the Conference Seminary, this being, as we understand, in harmony with the original design of the fund. The remainder kept to loan as before.

Report of Committee on Observance of the Sabbath.

The committee on the Observance of the Sabbath, present the following report:

WHEREAS, We believe the Sabbath is of divine origin and fundamental to the perpetuity and success of christianity; and

WHEREAS, The growing tendency to secularize and desecrate this holy day is alarming.

Resolved, I—That we heartily indorse the Episcopal Address, and the resolutions of the last General Conference on Sabbath observance.

Resolved, II—That we are opposed to the keeping open on Sunday of public and private offices and all other places for profit, the publishing and selling of Sunday papers, the running of trains or steamboats, and that we will not countenance by our presence, or aid in any way any enterprise where the sanctity of the Sabbath is not befittingly observed.

Resolved, III—That we will wholly discountenance the use of Sunday railroad trains and steamboats, and believe it to be the duty of the State to compel all railroad companies to reduce such Sunday traffic at least to the minimum. And that we will encourage by our influence the civil officers to a better execution of the laws regarding the Sabbath.

Resolved, IV—That we re-affirm the expression of this Conference one year ago: "That we as a Conference, representing a membership of over 40,000, enter our solemn protest against the proposal to keep open on the Sabbath the World's Fair to be held in Chicago in 1893, regarding such a proposal, if carried out, as a public calamity

and national disgrace." And further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the secretary of this Conference to the chairman of the World's Fair committee.

Respectfully submitted,

S. T. WESTFALL, *Chairman.*

D. L. ASH, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Temperance.

Your committee, in making the annual review of the Temperance cause, is more than ever convinced of the overwhelming magnitude of its importance, and we are proud of the advanced position our church has taken upon this subject, viz: "Voluntary total abstinence from all intoxicants as the true ground of personal temperance, and complete legal prohibition of the traffic in alcoholic drinks as the duty of the civil government; for the reason "that license, high or low, is no remedy for the evils of intemperance;" and the traffic "can never be legalized without sin." As a Conference we have been affirming and re-affirming these principles from year to year, and yet have failed to make that impression upon the public mind and conscience as to produce the results desired. Something more must be done. "While we do not presume to dictate to our people as to their political affiliations, we do express the opinion that they should not permit themselves to be controlled by party organizations that are managed in the interest of the liquor traffic." In this we have failed, and we believe that the time has now fully come, when to maintain our christian manhood, we must make ourselves more generally and distinctly felt at the ballot-box; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That we deeply deprecate the divisions existing in the temperance ranks, and will do all in our power to unify the now existing methods of dealing with the liquor traffic, so as to bring into one line of action all who are working and praying for the destruction of the saloon, and the complete overthrow of the liquor traffic.

Resolved, 2d. That as members of this Annual Conference, we hereby declare our purposes to withhold our influence from all political parties that favor the liquor traffic; and we will not vote for any candidate for office who stands upon a platform that provides for or indorses the licensing of the liquor traffic for revenue, or for any other consideration.

Resolved, 3d. That we will do all we can to secure the enforcement of such laws as are now opposed to the liquor traffic; and will push the battle for prohibition until it becomes a part of the organic law of the State and Nation.

A. B. ROHRBOUGH,
Secretary.

B. B. EVANS,
Chairman.

Report of Committee on Bible Cause.

Your Committee on Bible cause would report as follows, viz:

Recognizing the Bible as a revelation from God; the christian's counselor and guide; the foundation of the sinner's salvation; an efficient means in enlightening the minds and riveting the convictions of its truths upon the heart; therefore,

Resolved, That as a Conference we will co-operate in its circulation and in the dissemination of scriptural truth among the people; and further, that we endorse the work of the American Bible Society, and its agent, Brother T. Cotton, and bid him God speed in his work; and will welcome him in our several charges.

C. POLING,
Chairman and Secretary.

Report of Board of Stewards.

To the West Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church:

The Board of Stewards, having examined the reports from the charges, report the following amounts received for Conference claimants:

From the Districts	\$1,756 00
“ dividends Book Concern	1,356 00
“ Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.....	42 00
“ interest on Permanent Fund.....	221 00
“ Chartered Fund.....	30 00
Total amount received	\$3,405 00

<i>To Whom Paid.</i>		<i>By Whom Taken.</i>
To Widow Blundon.....	\$ 10 00	A. Mick.
“ Richmond	80 00	C. W. Milam.
“ Burns	20 00	S. Ernest Jones.
“ Irwin.....	100 00	W. R. White.
To children of Widow Hartley.....	280 00	W. J. Harkness.
To Widow Monroe	100 00	C. B. Graham.
“ Weaver.....	130 00	Secretary.
“ Young.....	220 00	D. F. Carder.
“ Parriot.....	150 00	C. S. Allemong.
“ Heaston	100 00	Secretary.
“ Steele.....	140 00	Jos. Lee.
“ Laughlin.....	50 00	J. N. Sharp.
“ Heatherly	25 00	G. W. Marston.
“ Conner	100 00	G. W. Grimes.
“ Kurtz.....	75 00	C. H. Lakin.
“ Ryan	40 00	G. W. Alley.
“ Copeland	30 00	Secretary.
“ Hess	50 00	R. Northcraft.
“ Crosfield.....	20 00	J. A. Fullerton.
“ Trainer.....	40 00	T. W. Chidester.
To Rev. J. J. Dolliver.....	25 00	Secretary.
“ B. Hager.....	75 00	L. D. Haines.
“ R. L. Brooks	100 00	B. B. Brooks.
“ D. S. Benedum.....	90 00	Self.
“ W. Wriston.....	50 00	C. R. Shackelford.
“ R. Northcraft.....	140 00	Self.
“ J. T. Carroll	100 00	A. Mick.
“ R. M. Wallace.....	150 00	W. E. Lovett.
“ Asbury Stevens.....	75 00	F. H. J. King.
“ J. L. Clark.....	140 00	Self.
To O. B. Hughes, son of Rev. F. M. Hughes	10 00	Joseph Lee.
To son of Widow Hughes.....	10 00	Joseph Lee.
To Rev. John Conwell.....	140 00	F. H. J. King.
“ Vanlinden Sanford.....	25 00	H. C. Sanford.
“ Robert Brooks	50 00	C. H. Lakin.
“ B. Ison.....	100 00	W. J. Sharps.
“ M. McNeel	20 00	Self.

<i>To Whom Paid.</i>		<i>By Whom Taken.</i>
To Rev. A. A. Nichols.....	\$ 100 00	E. L. Meadows.
" G. Martin.....	100 00	Self.
" R. S. Welch.....	100 00	J. C. Rexroad.
" B. Darlington.....	20 00	Self.
" U. Pribble.....	25 00	Self.

Total disbursements\$3,405 00

In addition to the above, \$100.00 presented by Dr. Cushing, in behalf of one of our laymen, was disbursed as follows:

A. A. Nichols.....	\$ 25 00
R. S. Welch	25 00
D. S. Benedum.....	25 00
Children of Widow Hartley	25 00
	\$100 00

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. MARTIN, *Chairman.*

JOHN BAILIE, *Secretary.*

Annual Report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, West Virginia Conference Division.

BY MRS. C. E. JACKSON, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1891.

Wheeling District.—Mrs. S. E. Moore, Secretary.

Fourth Street, (including Thoburn Band).....	\$163 40
Thomson Chapel, Island, (including Summer Band).....	76 73
Wesley Church, (including McCabe Band and Sunbeam Band).....	137 66
Zane Street, (including Butler Band).....	109 75
McLean Chapel.....	33 50
Triadelphia (including Little Gleaners).....	30 11
Benwood. Fear Not Band.....	11 47
Moundsville, (including King's Daughters).....	142 49

Total for Wheeling District.....\$705 11

Huntington.—Mrs. C. Lakin, Secretary.

Total for year.....\$43 00

Parkersburg.—Mrs. A. E. Baldwin, Secretary.

Total for year.....\$84 00

Morgantown District.—Mrs. F. Heermans, Secretary.

Kingwood, (including Busy Bees).....	\$77 96
Arnettsville.....	4 00
Grafton.....	38 05
Morgantown	14 80
Palatine	17 50
Albrightsville, (in Oakland District).....	39 19
Cash from Mrs. R. J. Stewart.....	2 50
Camp Chapel.....	12 13

Total for Morgantown District.....\$206 13

Collections of Conference, not received in time for last year's report.....27 00

RECAPITULATION.

Wheeling District.....	\$705 11
Morgantown "	206 13
Huntington "	43 00
Parkersburg "	84 00
Conference Envelopes.....	27 00
Total.....	\$1,065 24

The above amount \$1,065.24 (one thousand sixty-five dollars and twenty-four cents) has been remitted to Mrs. W. B. Davis, Branch Treasurer, at Cincinnati, in several different amounts, for which I hold her receipts.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. C. E. JACKSON, *Sec'y and Treas.*



TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

RECAPITULATION 1891.

Names of Districts.	Missionary Society.		Board of Church Extension.		Sunday School Union.		Tract Society.		Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.		Education.		Bible Society.	
	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher
Buckhannon	\$ 755 00	\$ 50 00	\$ 69 00		\$ 20 00		\$ 21 00		\$ 57 00		\$ 17 00	\$ 13 00	\$ 4 00	\$ 37 00
Charleston.....	253 00	9 00	25 00	\$ 12 00	10 00		8 00		25 00		10 00	40 89	4 00	15 50
Clarksburg.....	588 00		49 00	10 00	15 00		14 00		37 00	\$ 7 00	48 00	79 20	7 00	29 00
Huntington.....	78 00		9 00		1 00		2 00		4 00		1 00		1 00	
Morgantown.....	602 00		30 00		15 00	\$ 4 00	15 00	\$ 4 00	12 00	12 00	76 30	48 95	6 00	31 75
New River	76 00		9 00	11 00	1 00		2 00		4 00		1 00		1 00	
Oakland.....	324 00	45 00	44 00	3 00	12 00	1 00	11 00		20 00	4 00	13 00	19 25	2 00	21 50
Parkersburg.....	959 30	401 70	194 00	10 00	16 00	20 00	10 00	20 00	162 00		45 00	44 00	4 00	81 00
Wheeling.....	2,013 00	537 00	202 00	40 00	45 00		45 00		87 00		118 25	79 00	3 00	111 00
Cash	5,648 30	1,042 70	631 00	86 00	135 00	25 00	128 00	24 00	408 00	23 00	329 55	324 29	32 00	326 75
Vouchers.....	1,042 70		86 00		25 00		24 00		23 00		324 29		326 75	
Total.....	6,691 00		717 00		160 00		152 00		431 00		653 84		358 75	
Last year.....	5,823 95		948 79		155 00		142 90		494 50		596 15		279 24	
Increase.....	867 05				5 00		9 10				57 69		79 51	
Decrease.....			231 79						63 50					

Names of Districts.

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Secretary's Financial Report.

RECEIPTS.

Receipts over from last year.....	\$73 03
Collection at Conference for Secretary.....	13 53
From "Ads".....	175 00
From old collections.....	9 95
From preachers.....	126 28
	\$397 79

EXPENSES.

Printing 2,000 copies of the Minutes, mailing, express- age, packing, etc., and postage during the year.....	\$322 07
Conference trunk, Conference envelopes, etc.....	17 40
	\$339 47
Balance.....	\$ 58 32

WM. G. RIHELDAFFER,
Secretary.

Board of Trustees Classified.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the West Virginia Conference Seminary, held at Buckhannon, June 12th, 1891, the undersigned members of said board were appointed a committee to divide the trustees into classes, so that the term of one class would expire with every annual Conference session. The following is our report:

We recommend that the seventeen members of the board, exclusive of the president of the school, be divided into four classes, of four members each, except the fourth class which shall consist of five members, viz:

First Class—one year. Laymen S. Woods, B. F. Martin. Ministers Wm. R. White, A. B. Rohrbough.

Second Class—two years. Laymen H. C. McWhorter, W. A. Wilson. Ministers A. J. Lyda, L. H. Jordan.

Third Class—three years. Laymen John A. Barnes, J. S. Withers. Ministers J. A. Fullerton, L. L. Stewart.

Fourth Class—four years. Laymen C. W. Brockunier, J. C. Bardall, A. M. Poundstone. Ministers J. W. Reger, C. B. Graham.

By direction of the board, we submit the above to you for consideration and adoption, if in harmony with your judgment.

Respectfully submitted,

October 5, 1891.

B. F. MARTIN,
A. B. ROHRBOUGH.

Report of Committee on Epworth League.

Our hearts have been gladdened by news which comes to us of a wide-spreading movement among the young people of our church. We hail with joy the formation and marvellous growth of the Epworth League. This movement is born of the Spirit and our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will continue as its guiding power.

Though in its present organic form, but sixteen months old, it now has enrolled under its white and crimson banner nearly 500,000 of our youth. It has even now a vital and increasing literature, a conspicuous part of which is its paper. The problem of publishing a weekly paper for the youth of our church, with which our Book

Concern once wrestled, is now solved; the *Epworth Herald* is an assured success. It has a paid up subscription list of over 40,000 names.

It is with pleasure that your committee report the organization of four of the districts of the Conference into District leagues the past year: the Wheeling District, the Charleston District and the Morgantown and Clarksburg Districts—the last two districts were organized for the present into a Union District organization.

We commend the League to the devout study of all our pastors, and wherever at all possible would earnestly urge the formation of Epworth Leagues in each charge. Put yourselves forward, brethren, as leaders of this divine movement. This crusade of christian youth needs, will continue to need, the wisdom and consecrated energy of the pastors to give it direction.

We recommend the Committee on Public Worship at the ensuing session of our Conference to arrange for an entire evening to be devoted to the Epworth League, and that such meeting be under the direction of the Presidents and Secretaries of the District League organizations of the Conference.

E. D. HANNA,
Secretary.

S. H. DAY,
Chairman.

Report of Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Committee.

We are more than ever persuaded of the importance of the work of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational Society. The time will come when this beneficence will be no longer required, but that time has not yet arrived. We give this organization our heartiest endorsement and pledge ourselves to do what we can toward raising our apportionments. We most earnestly call the attention of our people to the duty of educating both the indigent black and the poor white of the South, that the republic receive no detriment. We are especially gratified to note the practical nature of methods adopted by this society to raise to manly independence, the lately enslaved class, and we believe that the industrial departments connected with many of the schools, are of no less importance than their academic curriculum.

S. H. DAY,
Secretary.

JOHN S. ROBINSON,
Chairman.

Report of the Committee on Missionary Cause.

We, your Committee on Missionary Cause, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, We recognize the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church as an institution designed to carry out the spirit of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in spreading forth His truth and extending His kingdom; and

WHEREAS, The demands made upon our Missionary Board are so urgent and ever increasing, we are more deeply impressed than ever with the great responsibility under which the church is placed to furnish the necessary means to carry forward this most glorious and worthy work, and to plant everywhere the standard of our Lord; therefore

Resolved 1st, That we recommend the organization of all our Sunday Schools into Missionary Societies as the discipline of the church directs, and that every possible effort be put forth to lay this great matter of missions upon the hearts of our people.

Resolved 2d, That as ministers of the church we will arrange for the holding of missionary meetings on our charges and districts for

the discussion of this subject, so that general information may be afforded our people on the great question of Christian missions.

Resolved 3d, That we will put forth our best efforts to circulate our missionary literature among the people, and thus increase popular intelligence in regard to our missionary work at home and abroad.

Resolved 4th, That as pastors we will endeavor to raise the full apportionments of our respective charges, and seek as speedily as possible to place the West Virginia Conference among the banner Conferences of the church.

D. A. FRIEND,
Secretary.

LEVI CROSS,
Chairman.

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

Buckhannon District.

Freemansburg.....	\$ 25 00	Elkins.....	\$ 70 00
Beverly.....	100 00	Hacker's Valley.....	80 00
Camden.....	40 00	Helvetia.....	60 00
East Buckhannon.....	25 00	Mingo.....	60 00
Total.....		\$460 00	

Charleston District.

District.....	\$168 00	Fishers.....	\$ 64 00
Calhoun.....	50 00	Noble.....	50 00
Danaville.....	50 00	Ripley.....	80 00
East Charleston.....	50 00	Raymond City.....	64 00
Elk City.....	200 00	Walton.....	50 00
Total.....		\$826 00	

Clarksburg District.

Marion.....	\$ 60 00	Smithton.....	\$110 00
Enterprise.....	50 00	Parkers.....	50 00
Pine Grove.....	60 00	Bridgeport.....	70 00
Total.....		\$400 00	

Huntington District.

District.....	\$225 00	Hamlin.....	\$ 65 00
Cassville.....	60 00	Huntington Circuit.....	65 00
Ceredo.....	75 00	Laurel Hill.....	20 00
Coal River.....	40 00	Milton.....	90 00
East Hamlin.....	20 00	Monticello.....	90 00
East Huntington.....	100 00	St. Albans.....	90 00
Fairfield.....	50 00	Winfield.....	70 00
Guyandotte.....	90 00	Winifrede.....	50 00
Total.....		\$1,200 00	

Morgantown District.

Littleton.....	\$ 90 00	Tunnelton.....	\$100 00
Palatine.....	50 00	Masontown.....	80 00
Mt. Zion.....	32 00	Total.....	
		\$352 00	

New River District.

District.....	\$200 00	Hinton.....	\$100 00
Boone.....	70 00	Logan.....	60 00
Clay.....	91 00	Oceana.....	60 00
Claremont.....	100 00	Oilville.....	100 00
Concord.....	100 00	Ophelia.....	60 00
Fayette.....	50 00	Pleasant Retreat.....	25 00
Flat Top.....	60 00		
		Total.....	\$1,076 00

Oakland District.

Rowlesburg.....	\$ 50 00	Deer Park.....	\$110 00
Terra Alta.....	50 00	Hambleton.....	60 00
Aurora.....	25 00	Red Creek.....	50 00
Hannahsville.....	75 00	Albrightsville.....	50 00
Cranesville.....	20 00	Thomas.....	50 00
		Total.....	\$540 00

Parkersburg District.

Williamstown.....	\$100 00	Pleasants.....	\$ 75 00
Cairo.....	75 00	Kanawha.....	50 00
Newark.....	50 00		
		Total.....	\$350 00

Wheeling District.

New Martinsville Station..	\$ 50 00	Fulton.....	\$ 75 00
New Martinsville Circuit..	50 00	Moundsville Circuit.....	60 00
Graysville.....	60 00		
		Total.....	\$295 00

S. ERNEST JONES,
Secretary.

C. B. GRAHAM,
President.

I concur in the above missions and appropriations.

H. W. WARREN.

Periodicals and Book Accounts.

The Committee on Periodicals and Book Accounts, after having investigated these important subjects through the various sources of information, find occasion for gratitude over the continued prosperity attending these great interests of our church. We also recognize the wise and careful planning of those who have had the management of this important business; and note with satisfaction the extensive circulation of our books and periodicals, and especially that of the *Epworth Herald*.

We believe our literature to be of the very highest type in that it helps to develop a pure and healthful christian character; and notwithstanding the extensive circulation of our literature, this part of our church work is only in its infancy. We therefore recommend that the greatest possible effort be made to give it the widest possible circulation.

C. WARMAN, *Secretary.*

Report on Sunday School Union and Tract Societies.

WHEREAS, These societies need large sums of money to carry on the work of publishing lesson literature, papers, library books, etc., for the use of our Sunday schools and churches; and

WHEREAS, They ask, for the two societies, a sum of \$600 (\$300 each) from the West Virginia Conference for this purpose, we,

your committee on these agencies of the church, recommend that the Conference assign this apportionment to the Presiding Elders, to be divided among the districts and charges severally, and that we as pastors do what we can in collecting the same.

J. A. HAMMOND,
Secretary.

J. T. DAVIS,
Chairman.

Report of the Treasurer of the Permanent Fund.

WHEELING, October 2d, 1891.

There have been no additions made to the Permanent Fund this year. The interest received by the Treasurer, amounting to \$220.49, has been paid to the Board of Stewards.

JAMES L. CLARK,
Treasurer.

Report of the Treasurer of the Educational Fund.

WHEELING, October 2d, 1891.

According to the order of the Conference, the following sums have been loaned, for which notes with approved security have been given :

J. W. Chenoweth.....	\$150 00
Hough Houston	100 00
J. H. Teter.....	75 00
Laura B. Zink	60 00
Cyrus Poling.....	50 00

\$435 00

Portions have been paid on some of the notes, leaving cash in the hands of the Treasurer, \$793.49.

JAMES L. CLARK, *Treasurer.*

Committee on Loans from the Educational Fund.

The Committee on the Educational Loan Fund submit the following report :

That we recommend the loan of \$100 to brother F. G. W. Ford, in order to complete the education of his son ; also \$100 to brother B. N. Fitzwater, to aid him to attend our Conference Seminary, and that S. Eli Jones receive \$100, to aid him in the education of his daughter at our Conference Seminary.

B. B. EVANS,
Chairman.

Report of Committee on District Conference Records.

The Committee on District Conference Records report the records examined correctly kept.

G. W. BENT,
Chairman.

On Presiding Elders' Accounts.

Your committee, after careful examination of the Presiding Elders' accounts, find them all correct.

BENJ. ISON,
T. W. CHIDESTER,
TAYLOR RICHMOND.

Report on Veterans' Fund.

We, the Committee on Conference Claimants Day, regret the action of the Conference on the report of the committee of last year, and hope and trust that this report will meet with a better fate. The report of last year was laid on the table. We hold that the living veterans and the widows and orphans of the "unreturning brave," who have died at their posts, are entitled to the recognition and sympathy of this Conference, and therefore recommend the adoption of last year's report:

1. That a Veterans' Anniversary be held at each annual Conference.
2. That a Veterans' Day be observed in each charge during the month of May.
3. That a Veterans' Fund be raised, to be under Conference control, the interest of which only can be used.

C. J. TRIPPETT.
BENJAMIN ISON.
C. W. UPTON.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That all classes and committees of examination be respectfully required to meet on the day preceding Conference, at 10 o'clock.

J. HENRY HESS,
J. A. FULLERTON.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to Rev. C. W. Cushing, D. D. and the pastors of the different churches in the city, for the very satisfactory and complete arrangements made for our entertainment.

WHEREAS, This is the first visit of Bishop H. W. Warren, D. D., LL. D., to the West Virginia Conference; and whereas his visit to us has been both pleasant and profitable; that as a Conference we trust that his visits to us may be frequent, and we pray that the Great Head of the Church may spare him many years to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

D. L. ASH,
W. WIRT KING,
A. MOORE,
E. D. HANNA.



MINUTES

—OF THE—

Lay Electoral Conference.

FIRST DAY.

WHEELING, W. VA., Oct. 2, 1891.

The sixth West Virginia Electoral Conference assembled in the Fourth Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Wheeling, on the 2d day of October, 1891, at 9:15 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by A. J. Clarke, of Wheeling, who nominated the Hon. J. C. McGrew, of Kingwood, as the temporary Chairman, who was unanimously elected.

On motion of Prof. W. P. Willey, A. J. Clarke, of Wheeling, was elected temporary Secretary.

On motion of B. F. Martin, it was resolved that there should be appointed four committees, consisting of nine members each, one member on each committee from each presiding elder district, to be chosen by the delegates from their respective districts, viz: On Credentials; on Permanent Organization; on Order of Business, and on Resolutions.

The following persons were chosen on the several committees:

Committee on Credentials.—J. W. May, J. B. Smith, A. L. Pelly, Perry E. Fetty, A. H. Upton, J. W. Feather, H. Lewis, R. J. Roberts, B. N. Crooks.

Committee on Permanent Organization.—W. P. Willey, D. C. Louchery, James Reed, J. S. Douglass, L. A. Martin, I. C. Crane, W. W. Workman, M. N. Hambleton, J. A. Woodyard.

Committee on Order of Business.—P. F. Horner, M. McWhorter, Thomas Scott, G. H. Morrison, Geo. W. Parsons, O. Corbin, W. C. Jones, H. Lewis, J. F. Prather.

Committee on Resolutions.—W. A. Tucker, L. H. Wilcox, J. C. Bardall, H. H. Lewis, John Dunlap, C. Leonhart, C. W. Mayer, W. W. Workman, A. J. Barker.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference assembled at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Chairman, devotional exercises being conducted by the Rev. C. B. Graham.

The Chairman announced that the first order of business was the reports from the several committees appointed at the morning session of the Conference.

The Committee on Credentials made its report through its chairman, Prof. J. W. May, which was unanimously adopted, as follows:

Buckhannon District.—Buckhannon Station, Jacob Heavener; Buckhannon Circuit, J. W. Marple; Frenchton Circuit, John Douglas; Weston Circuit, Perry E. Fetty; Braxton Circuit, G. H. Morrison; South Buckhannon Circuit, S. Stalnaker; Weston Station, Jacob Stealy; Freemansburg Circuit, A. J. Hardman; Belington Circuit, Jonathan Hathaway; Barbour Circuit, W. H. Sturm; Helvetia Circuit, H. H. Lewis; Beverly Circuit, Wm. P. Daniels.

Charleston District.—Charleston Station, L. A. Martin; Raymond City Circuit, John Dunlap; Walton Circuit, A. H. Upton; Fisher's Point Circuit, Geo. W. Parson.

Clarksburg District.—Clarksburg Station, J. B. Smith; Fairmont Station, J. N. Lough; Salem Station, D. C. Louchery; Farmington Circuit, L. H. Wilcox; Lumberport Circuit, H. C. Hedges; Bridgeport Circuit, A. Robinson; Pine Grove Circuit, L. A. Benedum; Mt. Clare Circuit, M. McWhorter; Pruntytown Circuit, C. M. Scranage; Cherry Camp Circuit, T. J. Coffman; West Milford Circuit, W. M. Bird; Marion Circuit, William Meredith; Wilsonburg Circuit, Henry A. Swiger; Philippi Circuit, J. Hop Woods; Pleasants Circuit, J. S. Smith.

Huntington District.—Huntington Station, M. N. Hambleton; Guyandotte Station, J. P. Reitz; Wayne Circuit, J. B. Workman; Monticello Circuit, Edward Stanly; Laurel Hill Circuit, Stephen Spurlock; Milton Circuit, R. J. Roberts; Ceredo Circuit, William Fry; Windfield Circuit, John C. Livezey; Coalburg Circuit, Joseph Praither.

Morgantown District.—Morgantown Station, W. P. Willey; Morgantown Circuit, P. F. Harner; Masontown Circuit, W. G. Coburn; Blacksville Circuit, J. W. Brock; Monongahala Circuit, W. A. Tucker; Halleck Circuit, H. C. Blaney; Knottsville Circuit, J. E. Hagans; Jollytown Circuit, S. W. Gilmore; Arnettsville Circuit, E. M. Cox; Littleton Circuit, James Vanhorn; Palatine Circuit, H. R. Lynn; Mt. Zion Circuit, J. W. May; Kingwood Circuit, J. C. McGrew; Grafton Station, B. F. Martin.

New River District.—Concord Circuit, W. W. Workman; Pleasant Retreat Circuit, H. Lewis.

Oakland District.—Terra Alta Charge, C. W. Mayer; Oakland Station, C. S. Davis; Newburg Station, D. J. Gibson; Evansville Circuit, P. S. Knotts; Albrightsville Circuit, John C. Crane; Deer Park Circuit, W. C. Jones; Pleasant Grove Circuit, Jonathan Smith;

Cranesville Circuit, J. W. Feather; Aurora Circuit, W. J. Scott; Hannahsville Circuit, John R. Loughy.

Parkersburg District.—Parkersburg Station, C. W. Archbold; Parkersburg Circuit, J. A. Woodyard; Belleville Circuit, B. N. Crooks; Shilo Circuit, Isaac Wagner; Harrisville Circuit, Job Musgraves; Vancamp Circuit, M. P. Bonar; Middlebourne Circuit, J. T. Hickman; Ellenboro Circuit, Oram Corbin; Sistersville Circuit, Joseph E. Morgan; Cairo Circuit, Conrad Leonhart.

Wheeling District.—Fourth Street, A. J. Clarke; Chapline Street, James Reed; North Street, W. A. Wilson; Zane Street, J. T. Cowl; New Martinsville Station, J. E. Koontz; Wesley Chapel, J. Walford; Pleasant Valley, J. M. Blair; Dallas, John Trussell; Cameron, W. H. Hagans; Moundsville Station, J. C. Bardall; Moundsville Circuit, Thomas Scott; New Martinsville Circuit, George Schlobohm; Green Circuit, I. M. Franklin; Thompson, H. P. McGregor; Benwood, A. L. Pelley; Short Creek, M. F. McColloch; Marshall Circuit, J. F. Dowler; Triadelphia, G. E. Sisson; Graysville Circuit, John Rankin.

The Committee on Order of Business reported through its chairman, P. F. Harner, as follows:

1. Report of Committee on Credentials.
2. Report of Committee on Permanent Organization.
3. The election of delegates to the General Conference.
4. Report of Committee on Resolutions; and, on motion, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Permanent Organization reported through its chairman, Prof. W. P. Willey, as follows:

Chairman, Hon. J. C. McGrew, of Kingwood.

Secretary, A. J. Clarke, of Wheeling.

Assistant Secretary, W. A. Tucker, of Monongahela.

On motion this report was unanimously adopted; and chairman McGrew, in a few well chosen remarks, returned his thanks for the additional honor conferred upon him by the Conference.

A motion to make certain persons who were in attendance delegates, was lost.

On motion of Prof. W. P. Willey, the order of "election of delegates," and "report of Committee on Resolutions," as set out in the report of the Committee on Order of Business, was reversed—ayes 45, nays 28.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was then presented through its chairman, W. A. Tucker, as follows:

Resolved, 1st, That we as delegates of this Lay Electoral Conference heartily acquiesce in the representation accredited to us at every quadrennial meeting of the West Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Resolved, 2d, That we as laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church and delegates to this Conference, protest most earnestly against the opening of the World's Fair at Chicago, for visitors on the Sabbath day; and we hereby enter our solemn protest against all Sabbath desecration, especially such as the running by railroad companies, of unnecessary trains on the Lord's day.

Resolved, 3d, That we fully approve of the custom prevailing in some of our public schools, of opening every day's session by read-

ing a portion of scripture and by offering prayer, and would hail with gladness a general extension of such a practice.

Resolved, 4th, That we gladly recommend to our people the West Virginia Conference Seminary at Buckhannon, as a proper place for a liberal education, and we urge that the most generous help be extended by all Methodists to lift this institution out of all financial difficulties; and that we recommend that the West Virginia Annual Conference, now in session, continue the collection for the benefit of the same.

Upon a discussion of this report, Prof. W. P. Willey offered the following resolution as a substitute for resolution No 1:

Resolved by this Lay Electoral Conference, That we look with approval upon the growing sentiment of the Methodist Church and the world, in favor of the advancement of women into positions of higher activity and usefulness in the affairs and work of the church, believing that the result will redound to the glory of God, the enlargement of the power and influence of the church and the emancipation of the human race from the slavery of sin, and we hereby recommend to the delegates to the General Conference that they do all in their power to promote the movement in favor of the admission of women delegates to that body.

After a lengthy discussion of the "woman" question as now agitating the church, a vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes 32, nays 58; so the substitute was declared lost, and the report was then adopted.

On motion of P. E. Fetty the Conference proceeded to ballot for delegates to the General Conference, to be held in May, 1892.

J. Hop. Woods, W. A. Wilson, J. T. Cowl and J. W. May were appointed tellers.

The following persons were nominated: H. P. McGregor, L. A. Martin, B. F. Martin, W. P. Willey, Samuel Woods, Thomas Scott, John M. Davis, J. C. Bardall.

The first and second ballots resulted in no choice. On the third ballot L. A. Martin, of Charleston, and H. P. McGregor, of Wheeling, each received a majority of all the votes cast, and were declared elected.

On motion their election was made unanimous, and B. F. Martin and W. P. Willey were elected as reserve delegates; B. F. Martin to serve in case of the first vacancy, and W. P. Willey, the second vacancy.

On motion of D. J. Gibson, of Newburgh, the following was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we as laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church endorse the position of our church upon the great subject of Temperance, and believe that the "traffic can never be legalized without sin," and that the complete overthrow of the liquor power would redound to the glory of God and the good of the human race.

During the counting of the ballots the Conference was addressed by the Rev. B. W. Hutchinson, Principal of the Conference Seminary, in the interest of that school. The Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard, one of the Missionary Secretaries of our church, spoke encouragingly and confidently of the great work we were now doing in our vast mission fields.

On motion the Conference then adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, October 3, 1891.

SECOND DAY.

WHEELING, W. VA., Oct. 3, 1891.

Pursuant to adjournment the Lay Electoral Conference assembled at 9:15 o'clock a. m., the chairman, the Hon. J. C. McGrew, having been called away from the Conference, on motion of B. F. Martin, Prof. W. P. Willey was selected to act as chairman.

The devotional services were led by John Dunlap, of Raymond City.

On motion a committee of three, consisting of B. F. Martin, I. N. Lough and Hiram Lewis, was appointed to wait on the annual Conference and ascertain at what hour it would be their pleasure to receive this Conference.

On motion William Cunningham, reserve delegate, was admitted in the place of John Walford, absent.

B. F. Martin, chairman, reported that his committee had waited on the annual Conference, and that they would report in a few minutes through their own committee.

The Rev. Dr. C. W. Cushing, the Rev. S. E. Jones and the Rev. Dr. J. A. Fullerton appeared and were presented as the committee from the annual Conference, and notified this Conference that it would be their pleasure to receive the Lay Conference at any time it should determine.

In response to this invitation the Lay Conference, in company with the committee, proceeded in a body to the annual Conference then in session.

The chairman, Prof. W. P. Willey, was then introduced by the committee to Bishop Warren, and he in turn presented the members of the Lay Conference.

Prof. Willey, on behalf of the Lay Conference, in a few well chosen sentences, expressed the fraternal feelings of the laymen of the church towards their pastors, and bidding them God-speed in their labors of love and self-sacrifice.

Bishop Warren, in response to the fraternal greeting, spoke in eloquent and touching terms of the relations existing between the people and their pastors, and urging all to greater usefulness and higher effort in bringing this world to the Saviour's feet.

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," was then sung as only Methodist preachers can sing it, with a heartiness and an earnestness that touched all hearers. Bishop Warren closed the joint session with the benediction, and thereupon the Lay Conference withdrew in a body, and returning to their room proceeded to business.

On motion of B. F. Martin, the thanks of this Conference were extended to the people of Wheeling for their hospitality extended to its members; to the several railroad companies that have furnished transportation at reduced rates; and also to the Wheeling papers for the kind manner in which they had reported the proceedings of this Conference.

These resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

The minutes were read and approved.

The business of the Conference having been concluded, the session was closed by the singing of one of our soul-inspiring old hymns, and the Conference was adjourned without day.

A. J. CLARKE,
Secretary.

W. P. WILLEY,
Chairman.



DIRECTORY.

Supernumerary and Superannuated Preachers.

SUPERNUMERARIES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH
B. F. Rogers.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	W. Va.....	Palatine.
Gilbert Rogers.....	Burnersville.....	Barbour.....	".....	Philippi.
J. T. Eichelberger.....	Uniontown.....	Wetzel.....	".....	".....
Marion Taylor.....	Maxwell.....	Pleasants.....	".....	Pleasants.
S. R. Dawson.....	Ellenboro.....	Ritchie.....	".....	Ellenboro.
S. Hitchens.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia.....	".....	Morgantown.
R. L. Woodyard.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	".....	Valley Mills.
W. R. White.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	".....	Fairmont.
C. W. Cushing.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Bickford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. G. Fugate.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. H. Orwen.....	Aberdeen.....	.....	Maryland.	Aberdeen.

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.	CHARGE CONNECTED WITH
D. S. Benedum.....	Cherry Camp.....	Harrison.....	W. Va.....	Cherry Camp.
John Birkett.....	Holton.....	Kansas.....	Kansas.....	Holton.
Robert Brooks.....	St. Albans.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.....	St. Albans.
R. L. Brooks.....	Selbyville.....	Upshur.....	".....	Canaan.
J. T. Carroll.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	".....	Coal River.
J. J. Dolliver.....	Ft. Dodge.....	Webster.....	Iowa.....	Ft. Dodge.
Benj. Hagar.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	W. Va.....	Charleston.
L. E. Leslie.....	Oak Hill.....	Fayette.....	".....	Fayette.
D. A. McGinnis.....	Mole Hill.....	Ritchie.....	".....	Centreville.
M. McNeel.....	Smithville.....	".....	".....	Smithville.
R. Northcraft.....	Smithville.....	".....	".....	Smithville.
J. P. Pinchen.....	West Milford.....	Harrison.....	".....	West Milford.
John W. Reger.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	".....	Buckhannon.
V. Sanford.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	".....	Charleston.
H. Scott.....	Malden.....	".....	".....	Malden.
A. Stevens.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	".....	Palatine.
B. Ison.....	Oakland.....	Garrett.....	Maryland.	Oakland.
A. T. Morriston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wm. Wriston.....	Mossey.....	Fayette.....	W. Va.....	Fayette.
J. A. Williams.....	West Milford.....	Harrison.....	".....	West Milford.
R. M. Wallace.....	Clarksburg.....	".....	".....	Clarksburg.
J. L. Clark.....	Parkersburg.....	Wood.....	".....	Parkersburg.
John Conwell.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	".....	Palatine.
Gideon Martin.....	Fairmont.....	".....	".....	Fairmont.
A. A. Nichols.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. S. Welch.....	Independence.....	Preston.....	W. Va.....	.....

PREACHER'S WIDOWS.

No.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	STATE.
1	S. Burns.....	Dayton.....	Montgomery.....	Ohio.
2	Ellen Irwin.....	Fairmont.....	Marion.....	West Va.
3	Sarah F. Blundon.....	Charleston.....	Kanawha.....	".....
4	Eliza J. Richmond.....	Dallas.....	Marshall.....	".....
5	Selina Monroe.....	Point Pleasant.....	Mason.....	".....
6	Laura Heatherly.....	Round Bottom.....	Wayne.....	".....
7	Sidney Weaver.....	Bridgeton.....	Cumberland.....	New Jersey.
8	Jane Parriott.....	Cameron.....	Marshall.....	West Va.
9	Elonah Young.....	French Creek.....	Upshur.....	".....
10	Mary C. Heaston.....	Connotton.....	Harrison.....	Ohio.
11	Sadie E. Beckley.....	Falls of Twelve P'le.....	Wayne.....	West Va.
12	Mrs. J. Laughlin.....	Deer Park.....	Garrett.....	Maryland.
13	Victoria Steele.....	Buckhannon.....	Upshur.....	West Va.
14	Margaret Conner.....	Moundsville.....	Marshall.....	".....
15	Annie Mc. Kurtz.....	Cleveland.....	Cuyahoga.....	Ohio.
16	Adeline Ryan.....	Walton.....	Roane.....	West Va.
17	Priscilla M. Hess.....	Smithville.....	Ritchie.....	".....
18	D. W. Smith.....	Malden.....	Kanawha.....	".....
19	Minnie A. Copeland.....	Jerusalem.....	.....	Ohio.
20	Eunice C. Bolton.....	Palatine.....	Marion.....	West Va.
21	Elizabeth Trainer.....	Morgantown.....	Monongalia.....	".....
22	Dorothy Crossfield.....	Berkeley Springs.....	Morgan.....	".....

Roll of the Honored Dead of the W. Va. Conference.

No.	Name.	Place of Death.	Date of Death.	Conference Relation at time of Death.	Age.	Years in the Ministry.
1	George Deemer.....	Wayne county, West Virginia.....	October 9, 1851.....	Effective.....	28	2
2	Abraham Laughridge.....	Granville, ".....	April 22, 1854.....	On Trial.....	32	1
3	Silas Burns.....	South Wheeling, ".....	December 25, 1854.....	Effective.....	26	3
4	William Summers.....	Martin's Ferry, Ohio.....	March 29, 1855.....	Superannuated.....	58	20
5	Eli McLaughlin.....	Ripley, West Va.....	April 3, 1855.....	On Trial.....	30	2
6	Alpheus Robe.....	Clinton Furnace, West Va.....	December 4, 1855.....	Effective.....	33	5
7	Jesse Freeland.....	Kingwood, ".....	June 6, 1856.....	Superannuated.....	40	6
8	James A. Young.....	Near Shinnston, ".....	June 17, 1857.....	On Trial.....	24	1
9	Gordon Battelle.....	Washington, D. C.....	August 7, 1862.....	Effective.....	47	17
10	Jacob S. Patterson.....	Knightstown, Indiana.....	July 10, 1864.....	Superannuated.....	45	21
11	Paul Vandervort.....	Jollytown, Pennsylvania.....	August 26, 1865.....	Effective.....	37	10
12	William R. Carroll.....	Near Kingwood, West Va.....	July 20, 1867.....	Superannuated.....	38	4
13	W. D. Warman.....	Ravenswood, ".....	1868.....	Effective.....	40	7
14	Philip Green.....	Near Lumberport, ".....	January 24, 1870.....	Superannuated.....	80	44
15	Allen B. Smith.....	Buffalo, ".....	May 19, 1870.....	Effective.....	45	6
16	John L. Irwin.....	Fairmont, ".....	April 26, 1871.....	".....	59	40
17	George Monroe.....	Point Pleasant, ".....	August 8, 1872.....	Superannuated.....	69	25
18	Edgar B. Blundon.....	Burning Springs, ".....	March 6, 1873.....	Effective.....	37	7
19	George W. Richmond.....	Wheeling, ".....	March 16, 1874.....	".....	41	17
20	Thomas M. Hartley.....	West Liberty, ".....	May 3, 1875.....	".....	33	11
21	Michael Dowler.....	Marshall county, ".....	November 29, 1875.....	Superannuated.....	70	6
22	Moses Tichenel.....	Rosemond, Illinois.....	May 23, 1876.....	Superannuated.....	70	38
23	Wilson L. Hindman.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	March 17, 1878.....	Effective.....	56	28
24	J. G. Blair.....	Fairmont, ".....	December 23, 1878.....	".....	63	36
25	Francis M. Hughes.....	Cameron, ".....	September 13, 1879.....	".....	32	12
26	J. C. Sidebottom.....	Barboursville, ".....	1881.....	Superannuated.....	44	7
27	Francis Guthrie.....	Gallipolis, Ohio.....	July 7, 1881.....	Superannuated.....	80	45
28	S. D. Jones.....	Williamstown, West Va.....	March 21, 1881.....	".....	75	51
29	L. D. Heatherly.....	Round Bottom, Wayne Co., West Va.....	December 13, 1882.....	".....	26	5
30	J. G. Weaver.....	Upland, Pennsylvania.....	May 19, 1883.....	".....	48	20
31	G. W. Parriott.....	Near Cameron, West Va.....	November 8, 1883.....	Effective.....	49	10
32	W. H. Young.....	Middlebourne, ".....	May, 1884.....	".....	38	14
33	David M. Heaston.....	Buckhannon, ".....	November 11, 1884.....	".....	38	8
34	Neville C. Beckley.....	Charleston, ".....	October 16, 1885.....	".....	49	16
35	John S. Laughlin.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	March 7, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	41	14
36	Samuel Steele.....	Buckhannon, West Va.....	May 24, 1886.....	Effective.....	62	36
37	Andrew Dixon.....	Near Mountain Cove, West Va.....	February, 1886.....	Superannuated.....	80	53
38	Robert Laughlin.....	Greene county, Pennsylvania.....	January 17, 1887.....	".....	74	40
39	Calvin Conner.....	Moundsville, West Va.....	December 28, 1886.....	".....	67	36
40	John C. Kurtz.....	Deer Park, Maryland.....	April 16, 1887.....	Effective.....	36	1
41	Thomas P. Ryan.....	Roane county, West Va.....	October 14, 1887.....	".....	54	14
42	John B. West.....	Newport, Ohio.....	May 21, 1889.....	Superannuated.....	90	67
43	John W. Hess.....	Centreville, Tyler county, W. Va.....	October 13, 1889.....	Effective.....	56	20
44	Daniel W. Smith.....	Malden, West Va.....	January 3, 1890.....	Superannuated.....	31	3
45	George R. Copeland.....	Hundred, ".....	August 20, 1890.....	Effective.....	43	13
46	Berkeley Crossfield.....	Berkeley Springs, West Va.....	March 5, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	69	42
47	James W. W. Bolton.....	Palatine, ".....	February 19, 1891.....	Effective.....	57	34
48	Thomas H. Trainer.....	Benwood, ".....	April 19, 1891.....	Superannuated.....	71	42

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."



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Minutes of the W. Va. Conference.

CHARLESTON AND CLARKSBURG DISTRICTS.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.

Calhoun.....	24	198	4	2	15	3	\$ 1000		\$ 140					5	28	180	\$ 7	\$ 3	\$ 10											\$ 402	\$ 5	\$ 10
Charleston.....	3	300	4	2	8	20	1	13000			200	\$ 2200	\$340		1	38	340	25	63	88	\$ 14	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 12	\$ 2	10	\$ 1			1348	25	24
Charleston Circuit.....		350	1	4	1	10	3	2500	1	\$ 450	250			5	80	350			13											523	3	
Clifton and Mason.....	8	242	2	15	1	3	6000	1	550	20	.....	.....	65	3	30	350	6	6	12	2	1	1	1	3	5	.....	.....	.....	559	2	1	
Danaville.....	33	164	2	1	17	1	800	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	25	3	27	210	10	2	12	3	1	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	446	6	.....	
East Charleston.....	70	318	5	1	2	2	2000	1	300	1055	.....	.....	10	5	31	305	6	3	9	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	465	.....	.....	
Fisher's Point.....	20	180	4	2	5	.....	.....	1	300	15	.....	.....	.....	7	56	350	13	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	340	2	.....	
Hartford City.....	10	250	.....	5	.....	3	4000	1	800	.....	.....	100	70	3	39	250	6	4	10	1	.....	1	.....	3	9	.....	.....	.....	666	5	.....	
Jackson Circuit.....	20	388	.....	5	8	30	5	3700	.....	.....	100	400	45	9	82	360	15	2	17	2	1	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	426	4	.....	
Leon.....	15	250	5	8	6	6	3000	1	200	660	.....	180	.....	6	24	180	8	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	432	.....	3	
Malden.....	8	76	1	3	8	1	2375	1	500	.....	.....	.....	25	1	8	45	9	9	18	3	1	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	506	7	2	
Noble.....	17	390	.....	5	2	7	6	4400	.....	300	83	389	40	9	41	281	15	10	25	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	402	4	2	
Point Pleasant.....	12	107	1	1	1	10	1	5000	1	2000	1825	1600	100	1	18	120	5	7	12	50	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	585	5	.....	
Ravenswood.....	13	204	.....	1	4	10	3	1900	1	1500	.....	35	45	3	27	171	.....	3	3	2	1	1	2	12	1	.....	.....	.....	387	4	4	
Raymond City.....	20	80	1	.....	4	13	2	2600	.....	300	900	.....	.....	3	26	95	3	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172	2	.....	
Ripley.....	44	215	2	2	4	8	6	3500	1	460	200	100	360	30	6	50	275	10	.....	10	5	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	498	2	.....	
Spencer.....	30	332	8	6	.....	11	6	5300	1	1500	975	68	227	75	7	50	275	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	536	2	.....	
Walton.....	35	310	3	5	1	31	2	1600	.....	1600	.....	.....	10	3	24	120	4	.....	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	380	2	2	

Total.....

382 4354 39 55 80 202 54 \$62675 11 \$ 8560 \$ 5535 2411 \$ 6356 \$835 80 697 4465 \$142 \$133 \$275 \$ 89 \$ 8 \$8 \$ 28 \$ 47 27 \$ 2 \$ 2 9073 80 48

CLARKSBURG DISTRICT

Bridgeport.....	20	290	2	5	6	6	\$ 5242	1	\$ 940	\$ 962	.....	.....	.....	5	38	222	\$ 15	\$ 5	\$ 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	470	20	42
Cherry Camp.....	11	291	.....	2	21	26	5	3000	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	\$ 35	5	43	261	44	1	45	.....	2	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	421	5	8
Clarksburg.....	22	206	1	2	18	1	17500	1	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	140	1	17	183	17	13	30	3	2	1	3	7	8	.....	.....	959	8	6
Enterprise.....	12	185	1	2	12	7	2000	.....	100	\$ 32	.....	.....	.....	115	2	16	73	26	26	3	1	1	3	1	1	.....	.....	179	.....	.....	
Fairmont.....	.....	184	2	2	.....	4	1	6500	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	115	1	14	135	40	17	57	8	3	3	8	8	.....	.....	743	25	.....	
Farmington.....	1	193	.....	1	.....	4	4	4500	.....	130	.....	.....	.....	30	5	40	200	30	30	4	1	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	
Logansport.....	20	271	.....	8	3	35	5	3000	1	400	45	.....	.....	40	3	30	200	27	3	30	3	1	1	1	2	1	.....	.....	422	4	8
Lumberport.....	18	365	1	7	.....	4	5	3000	1	500	3	\$ 200	25	4	32	200	50	8	58	7	1	1	5	27	2	.....	.....	541	15	4	
Mannington.....	10	123	3	5	.....	2	1	5250	1	1500	150	300	150	150	1	12	150	22	6	28	5	.....	3	11	5	.....	.....	868	20	44	
Marion.....	5	216	1	6	1	9	6	3500	1	1000	.....	.....	25	36	5	53	216	30	35	65	3	1	1	1	14	1	1	1	522	8	28
Mononga.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	2	.....	
Mount Clare.....	30	323	3	3	1	27	5	4300	1	700	60	.....	88	60	5	32	180	20	35	55	1	1	1	1	41	.....	.....	604	22	60	
Pine Grove.....	20	258	5	4	.....	4	4	2000	.....	245	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	18	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	216	.....	.....
Pruntytown.....	10	304	1	4	.....	30	4	5000	1	800	50	.....	45	45	4	42	269	15	10	25	7	1	1	3	2	1	.....	.....	615	.....	.....
Salem.....	.....	92	1	1	1	1	1	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	1	8	60	7	3	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243	5	15
Smithton.....	15	260	1	5	.....	16	5	2000	1	400	15	.....	20	5	25	200	20	9	29	2	1	1	1	4	1	.....	.....	299	2	.....	
West Milford.....	31	300	.....	2	.....	23	5	2400	1	400	5	.....	160	30	5	45	300	30	11	42	8	1	1	7	7	1	.....	.....	540	7	.....
Wilsonburg.....	16	394	2	2	3	30	9	6500	1	500	.....	60	.....	.....	7	60	332	.....	38	38	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	619	12	35	

Total.....

241 4169 24 61 10 251 74 \$76292 12 \$11140 \$ 1520 \$537 \$ 768 \$786 58 507 3181 416 \$194 \$606 \$ 59 \$ 15 14 \$ 45 \$127 21 \$ 1 \$ 1 8406 168 250

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.			Bap- tisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.								Schools.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'al Support.								
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.		No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized	No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Property.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (sex- ton, light, fuel, etc.)	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.	
HUNTINGTON DISTRICT.																																	
Cassville.....	60	260	2	3	2	2	2	\$	275	1	\$	356	\$	30	\$	93	\$	56		\$	3	3								\$	131	\$	1
Ceredo.....	2	58	1	2	1	1	1		1500	1	1000	15	100	212	\$	43	2	10	60	12	12	2			\$	1				347	2	2	
Coal River.....	35	213	4	6	5	5	1		250	1	250	25	5				2	15	100	8	2	2							337	2	2		
Coalburg.....	10	30	1	1	6														7	1	1	1							282	2	2		
East Hamlin.....	19	23	1	1												1	9	50	2	2	2				1				66	2	2		
Fairfields.....	5	62	1	1	2	1	1		1500	1	500				12	2	16	100	6	4	10	2			2	\$	5		465	2	2		
Guyandotte.....	7	92	1	1		1	1		2600	1	1200	500	200		80	1	10	80	12	13	15	2	\$	1		1	3	3	406	6	3		
Hamlin.....																																	
Huntington.....	12	325	1	2	23	1	1		18000	1	2500	8500	500	3000	300	1	30	250	46	14	60				5	11		\$	50	1400	15		
Huntington Circuit.....		150	1	2	1	10	4		6000			500		1600	25	6	30	240	14	14	3					1				445	4		
Laurel Hill.....	12	86	1	1		6	2		400								1	10	100	4									41	1	1		
Milton.....	60	368	4	3		101	4		4500	1	500	900			50	6	45	387	18	5	23	3	1	\$	1	2				5	5	5	
Monticello.....	14	175	1	4	3	15	3		1000	1	400	600				3	28	155	8	1	9	1			1				259	1	8		
St. Albans.....	4	90	1				2		1000	1	350	300			80	25	2	14	60	8		8	1						331	2			
Wayne.....	19	324	5	5			15	3	2500	1	400	200		100		4	28	200	8	2	10								343	2	2		
Winfield.....	40	230	4	1	1	63	5		1600	1	350	168			12	5	42	175	8		8	2		1		5			412	10	17		
Total.....	299	2486	25	31	42	225	30		41125	11	7806	11738	898	5048	547	36	289	1957	154	39	193	18	2	1	14	20	15	50		5271	55	49	

MORGANTOWN AND NEW RIVER DISTRICTS.

MORGANTOWN DISTRICT.																															
Arnettsville.....	9	265	1	7	1	30	4	\$ 2000	1	1000	\$ 125	.....	\$ 40	5	30	150	.....	\$ 15	65	2	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 579	\$ 8	37			
Blacksville.....	2	371	1	5	1	30	4	4800	1	1100	234	.....	88	5	52	335	.....	50	35	11	4	4	12	35	10	1265	41	81			
Grafton.....	7	371	1	2	8	19	1	1700	1	1500	196	\$200	700	200	1	24	200	70	5	25	2	1	1	1	1	492	7	10			
Halleck.....	15	390	1	5	1	22	6	5200	1	700	240	10	12	20	5	50	300	20	5	25	2	1	1	1	6	1012	25	27			
Jollytown.....	7	580	4	8	10	40	9	10100	1	1700	.....	150	150	75	9	80	520	30	20	50	4	2	3	5	7	78	840	21	4		
Kingwood.....	8	180	2	1	1	7	1	12000	1	3000	.....	115	1	22	176	.....	55	55	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	565	5	28			
Knottsville.....	7	304	1	4	1	5	5	6000	1	800	50	.....	50	5	45	287	8	4	12	2	2	1	1	1	1	532	10	10			
Littleton.....	8	277	4	4	1	16	4	4000	1	800	150	.....	200	75	6	30	250	12	8	20	2	1	1	1	1	588	4	10			
Mason town.....	8	229	1	3	1	17	4	9500	1	950	150	50	40	40	4	31	213	5	5	7	3	3	6	15	13	1311	41	49			
Morgantown.....	8	277	2	3	1	1	1	10000	1	1500	.....	1366	250	1	21	185	30	50	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	542	3	18			
Morgantown Circuit.....	50	424	3	2	1	31	5	5475	1	900	175	325	500	.....	5	53	370	16	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	788	10	53			
Monongalia.....	2	400	2	7	1	18	6	6000	1	1500	200	.....	85	6	45	435	63	7	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	295	2	7			
Mount Zion.....	8	423	1	4	1	61	6	2200	1	.....	150	.....	10	3	20	150	6	.....	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	685	16	11			
Palatine.....	1	400	1	4	1	8	4	5000	1	900	.....	150	100	6	78	350	20	18	38	2	2	1	1	2	18	685	16	11			
Tunnelton.....	7	228	1	1	4	6	4	4000	1	750	.....	120	30	6	40	221	15	10	25	3	2	1	1	4	1	633	10	24			
Total.....	132	5029	24	60	25	275	64	87975	14	17100	1670	2091	1992	1178	68	621	4142	350	227	577	41	19	17	29	70	37	100	4	10824	215	362
NEW RIVER DISTRICT.																															
Boone.....	.....	.....	2	4	21	1	50	1	150	75	.....	.....	.....	2	13	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	.....	.....		
Clay.....	36	157	1	2	22	2	900	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	18	100	13	.....	13	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	187	2	.....		
Concord.....	23	70	.....	.....	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Elk River.....	40	298	6	4	10	2	1000	1	500	80	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	291	1	11		
Fayette.....	13	203	4	4	2	2	4500	1	500	50	122	30	2	10	100	10	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	151	2	.....		
Flat Top.....	22	142	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	10	10	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	306	2	.....		
Hinchmans.....	50	140	1	25	20	1	100	1	250	.....	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	281	1	.....		
Hinton.....	6	15	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	600	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	16	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	426	3	.....		
Mountain Cove.....	14	336	4	1	2	11	2	2000	1	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	5	20	5	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	426	3	.....		
Nicholas.....	5	415	3	6	10	40	5	3800	1	200	40	.....	.....	3	22	90	10	10	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	590	5	2		
Oceana.....	18	158	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190	.....	2		
Oilville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Ophelia.....	57	255	1	2	11	4	2000	1	500	.....	.....	.....	6	50	190	16	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	314	1	.....		
Pleasant Retreat.....	47	454	6	3	.....	2	1200	1	300	25	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	5	5	1	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Raleigh.....	15	403	3	3	.....	5	2500	1	800	.....	.....	.....	2	12	52	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	371	2	.....		
Total.....	344	3046	35	32	43	140	29	18850	9	3800	790	130	297	40	32	128	630	142	5	147	15	2	3	4	6	2	1	1	3407	20	15

OAKLAND AND PARKERSBURG DISTRICTS.

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NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Baptisms	CHURCH PROPERTY.							S. Schools.		BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										Minist'ral Support.										
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.			No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized	No. Adults Baptized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebtedness on Ch'h Property.	Present Indebtedness on Church Property.	Current Expenses (sextion, light, fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all Ages.	For Missions.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday Sch'l Un'n.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding Elder and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect'rs.		
OAKLAND DISTRICT.																																			
Albrightsville.....	7	186	1	4	...	6	3	3	\$ 3700	...	\$ 40	...	...	...	\$ 45	4	40	246	\$ 16	6	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aurora.....	20	269	1	1	8	...	4	1	4200	1	600	25	...	...	81	5	26	180	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Brandonville.....	...	475	1	4	...	...	...	...	7000	1	800	...	...	...	75	10	73	466	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Cranesville.....	27	320	1	3	4	...	2	3	3000	1	400	80	...	...	100	12	90	504	15	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Davis.....	10	118	1	1	12	12	1	1	2000	1	500	135	\$100	100	103	1	13	139	18	18	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Deer Park.....	26	171	4	1	28	...	2	4	3500	...	...	...	100	...	250	9	45	425	20	11	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Evansville.....	8	397	...	5	...	4	6	5	5000	1	700	65	...	...	25	6	53	302	35	7	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Friendsville.....	70	453	3	3	14	6	7	7	5100	1	1 000	700	260	...	200	70	113	573	20	10	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grantsville.....	5	180	1	...	22	...	3	3	2800	1	1100	325	...	...	30	7	44	255	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Hambleton.....	...	137	...	...	5	...	1	3	1300	1	450	650	...	...	150	...	5	29	152	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Newburgh.....	10	225	...	...	6	19	2	2	4500	1	1000	1025	62	...	38	75	3	24	169	6	25	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Oakland.....	15	260	...	...	8	...	1	1	8000	1	2500	7200	...	...	150	2	32	225	20	5	25	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Pleasant Grove.....	17	325	...	...	2	...	28	7	3400	1	300	...	...	...	35	7	42	230	25	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Red Creek.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Rowlesburgh.....	8	255	1	...	6	6	2	2	3000	...	700	250	...	...	100	4	42	250	...	25	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Terra Alta.....	12	210	4	7	7	2	...	...	4675	...	...	240	40	...	75	3	33	197	13	12	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.....	235	3981	15	33	126	95	55	11	61175	11	10250	10715	502	1009	746	88	704	4373	229	128	357	44	12	11	24	26	24	142	3	7639	123	127			
PARKERSBURG DISTRICT.																																			
Belleville.....	15	465	2	8	6	11	5	5	4200	...	...	750	357	...	100	9	80	225	15	10	25	10	2	2	5	5	...	...	...	...	572	15	...		
Cairo.....	...	247	...	...	...	7	4	...	3050	1	250	450	...	...	50	4	31	166	12	3	15	5	2	2	5	...	...	...	...	468	10	10			
Centreville.....	6	412	2	3	...	40	6	...	2500	1	400	35	...	...	...	7	72	350	10	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	408	2	...			
Elizabeth.....	2	175	2	3	4	12	4	...	4000	1	700	80	300	300	50	4	40	153	5	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	557	3	7			
Ellenboro.....	20	360	4	5	5	20	5	5	4800	1	600	25	50	60	75	5	45	298	10	5	15	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	560	3	...			

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PARKERSBURG AND WHEELING DISTRICTS.

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Harrisville.....	26	454	1	3	1	39	7	\$ 8800	1	\$ 800	\$ 800	\$100	\$ 700	\$ 80	8	73	633	\$ 44	\$ 32	\$ 76	\$ 6	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 10	\$ 8	\$ 768	\$ 12	\$14		
Kanawha.....	2	155	...	...	5	8	4	2000	...	117	30	2	25	3	21	160	3	...	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	506	2	...		
Middlebourne.....	5	230	2	2	2	9	3	3300	1	600	900	250	300	50	3	24	150	12	...	12	3	...	1	...	5	187	5	...		
Mount Pleasant.....	10	131	1	4	10	...	2	1600	1	300	...	...	...	...	2	18	107	9	11	20	...	...	...	3	187	...	...			
Newark.....	15	119	...	...	1	7	3	2300	1	300	800	150	...	...	1	7	75	4	4	8	2	1	1	2	7	379	5	2		
Parkersburg.....	12	449	2	9	3	3	1	40000	1	5000	250	440	...	355	1	36	550	750	200	950	140	20	20	110	30	50	84	2430	192	...
Parkersburg Circuit.....	9	555	2	9	6	20	8	7100	1	1100	100	...	...	75	8	64	400	32	78	110	9	1	1	8	1	5	...	789	30	25
Pleasants.....	14	150	...	3	5	10	4	1000	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	20	190	10	...	10	1	...	1	1	...	182	5	...		
Sistersville.....	22	210	...	3	7	21	5	5500	...	...	25	100	100	140	6	50	290	35	10	45	10	2	2	12	19	7	2	690	25	52
Shiloh.....	105	450	...	3	...	...	8	4000	1	400	...	...	...	...	7	...	291	20	5	25	...	...	2	3	...	400	8	...		
Smithville.....	21	336	2	5	...	14	7	4500	1	400	30	25	100	15	8	72	320	10	2	12	5	...	1	3	...	458	2	7		
Van Camp.....	...	120	1	2	...	3	2	2000	...	100	...	...	100	...	4	16	170	4	4	8	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...		
West Union.....	6	165	4	4	1	5	4	5000	1	1000	15	...	...	40	4	38	160	15	15	30	3	1	1	5	15	2	...	593	10	19
Williamstown.....	4	88	...	2	...	3	1	1800	...	...	...	...	...	50	1	15	70	7	3	10	2	1	1	4	...	463	10	10		

Total	294	5271	25	68	56	229	84	67450	13	11850	4477	1802	1662	1105	90	722	4738	1007	381	1388	202	35	32	163	92	88	86	3	10410	340	146
WHEELING DISTRICT.																															
Benwood	6	200	3	3	26	3	2	6000	1	2000	200	1000	900	100	2	28	275	15	10	25	4	1	1	2	...	11	...	923	10	...	
Cameron	3	273	...	8	4	2	2	3500	1	2000	35	...	...	160	2	29	200	55	45	100	16	1	2	13	7	13	...	950	25	12	
Dallas	5	327	...	4	1	8	2	7000	1	800	65	...	...	80	2	22	175	34	6	40	6	2	2	5	16	1	1	1	681	12	9
Fulton	...	41	1	1	...	2	3000	...	...	5	...	...	...	105	1	13	98	...	12	12	1	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	
Graysville	7	248	1	2	1	1	2	2500	...	...	...	...	...	50	4	61	26	28	2	30	5	1	1	1	20	...	...	531	10	1	
Greene	12	433	3	2	...	32	8	5800	1	700	1205	...	500	50	7	77	368	41	...	41	5	1	1	3	2	...	...	6	...	...	
Marshall	5	325	3	2	...	8	4	7000	1	2000	...	...	...	100	6	80	438	40	45	85	15	4	4	17	11	...	...	797	30	...	
Moundsville	15	533	1	2	10	27	1	10000	1	3500	900	100	1200	300	1	54	415	150	128	278	25	10	10	25	31	18	142	200	1298	75	77
Moundsville Circuit	...	135	...	1	1	1	4	5000	...	...	80	...	...	40	4	49	198	30	25	55	10	...	...	...	44	...	...	429	22	25	
New Martinsville	...	135	1	4	...	3	1	3500	...	...	...	...	...	100	1	15	101	15	5	20	2	1	1	2	5	4	...	547	10	...	
New Martinsville Circuit	7	236	4	4	2	15	4	2500	...	...	110	...	125	...	6	72	200	35	...	35	4	1	1	2	16	...	...	406	8	...	
Pleasant Valley	...	276	1	1	...	5	4000	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	5	46	180	...	42	42	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	258	12	10	
Short Creek and Liberty	9	187	...	3	13	11	2	9000	1	500	135	...	...	60	2	21	164	46	7	53	4	2	2	2	...	...	...	759	11	10	
Triadelphia	...	100	...	3	7	...	1	7000	1	2500	...	...	...	90	1	12	9	13	11	24	9	...	...	8	...	30	...	445	8	...	
WHEELING.																															
Chapline Street	36	254	1	13	16	17	1	8000	1	2000	60	...	...	240	1	29	257	54	96	150	24	3	3	22	11	...	...	...	1200	45	...
Fourth Street	34	458	6	8	4	1	75000	1	12000	...	...	5000	1500	1	37	243	830	370	1200	55	10	10	57	73	30	167	...	2820	175	39	
North Street	1	240	...	6	26	3	1	8000	1	3500	...	...	250	1	...	...	22	18	40	15	2	2	...	...	26	...	...	860	10	15	
Thompson Church	3	250	...	5	4	1	1	13000	1	5000	300	100	500	375	1	31	350	125	75	200	29	4	4	24	10	20	61	55	1725	66	300
Wesley Chapel	17	235	2	3	39	12	1	10000	...	...	350	4000	250	1	33	313	40	10	50	2	1	...	1	...	1	138	...	1028	20	...	
Zane Street	20	301	1	5	23	2	1	18000	1	3000	25	143	1100	146	1	32	421	20	50	70	3	1	1	2	2	1	43	...	1085	10	1
Total	173	5187	22	79	181	150	46	207800	13	39500	3110	1693	13325	4121	49	741	4670	1593	957	2550	242	45	45	186	206	114	638	256	16752	567	499

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Membership.				Bap- tism		CHURCH PROPERTY.										S. Schools.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.													Minist'al Support.	
	No. of Probationers.	No. of Full Members.	No. of Local Preachers.	No. of Deaths.	No. Children Baptized	No. of Adults Bap- tized.	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old Indebted- ness on Ch'h Property.	Present Indebtedness on Ch'h Property.	Current Expenses (sex- ton, light, fuel, etc.)	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freedmen's Aid and Southern Ed. Society.	For Education.	For Amer. Bible Society	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Woman's Home Missionary Society.	For Pastor, House Rent, Presiding El- der and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Other Benevolent Collect's.			
Buckhann'n Charleston .. Clarksburg... Huntington Morgantown New River... Oakland..... Parkersburg. Wheeling....	434 282 241 299 132 344 235 294 173	6366 4354 4169 2486 5029 3046 3981 5271 5187	39 39 24 25 24 35 15 25 22	64 55 61 31 60 32 33 68 22	63 80 20 25 25 43 126 56 79	264 54 201 252 60 140 54 62 150	95 54 74 30 64 140 29 54 46	\$82470 62675 76292 41125 87975 18850 61175 107450 207800	13 12 11 11 14 9 11 13 13	\$14325 8560 11140 7806 17100 3800 10715 11850 39500	\$13090 5535 1520 11738 1670 790 10715 3110 4770	\$2061 2411 537 898 2091 130 502 1802 1693	\$2881 6356 768 5048 1992 297 1009 1662 13325	\$ 721 1375 786 547 1178 40 746 1105 41	116 50 58 36 68 40 88 90 49	937 697 3181 289 621 128 704 722 741	5606 4465 3181 1957 4142 630 4373 1007 4670	\$691 1462 416 154 350 39 229 381 1593	\$160 133 194 39 227 193 577 147 2550	\$851 \$ 73 \$ 21 \$ 22 \$ 59 \$ 30 \$ 41 \$ 1														

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Buckhannon, Charleston and Clarksburg Districts.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.							
		Pastors.			P. Eld's		Bish'ps		Con. Claim- ants.
		Claims, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Apportioned.
<i>Buckhannon.</i>									
Barbour.....	Martin Talbott.....	\$ 153	\$ 141	\$ 12	\$ 28	\$ 28	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 5
Bellington.....	Levi Cross.....	300	245	55	52	52	12	2	10
Beverly.....	Cyrus Poling.....	650	550	100	60	56	4	4	15
Braxton.....	W. C. Rogers.....	338	360	...	46	46	...	...	10
Buckhannon.....	Joseph Lee.....	1000	1000	...	88	88	10	10	30
Buckhannon C't.....	G. H. Williams.....	550	538	14	90	90	10	6	25
Canaan.....	B. B. Brooks (sup).....	310	310	...	40	40	3	2	10
East Buckhan'n.....	S. T. Westfall.....	312	299	13	44	44	6	4	12
Freemansburg.....	P. L. Bent.....	410	360	50	55	55	6	4	10
Frenchton.....	C. B. Meredith.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Glady.....	F. W. Queen.....	267	240	27	46	46	4	4	10
Glenville.....	J. S. Robinson.....	435	400	35	60	60	...	4	15
Helvetia.....	John Marteny (sup).....	107	134	...	25	25	2	2	5
Mingo.....	G. W. Bent.....	177	182	...	28	28	...	...	7
Philippi.....	S. Eli Jones.....	575	535	40	60	60	...	3	20
South Buckha'n.....	D. F. Carder.....	380	380	...	50	50	...	...	5
Sutton.....	R. E. Hughes.....	572	572	...	60	60	6	6	20
Troy.....	Fred Cottrill.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Webster.....	George Lewis.....	332	339	...	50	50	4	4	15
Weston.....	B. B. Evans.....	950	1054	...	70	70	9	9	25
Weston Circuit.....	Lloyd Boylen.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....		7818	7147	346	952	948	91	71	224
<i>Charleston.</i>									
Calhoun.....	W. H. Hammond.....	350	350	...	50	50	3	2	13
Charleston.....	A. Mick.....	1240	1240	...	100	100	8	7	40
Charleston C't.....	L. D. Haines.....	486	440	46	65	65	...	...	3
Clifton & Mason.....	A. J. Lyda.....	550	500	...	65	57	6	2	2
Danaville.....	J. S. Jenkins (sup).....	400	400	...	42	42	4	4	7
East Charleston.....	Jacob Hiatt (sup).....	500	403	97	60	60	5	2	...
Fisher's Point.....	W. T. McCutcheon.....	349	284	65	55	55	7	1	7
Hartford City.....	E. H. Orwen.....	600	600	...	65	61	10	5	16
Leon.....	J. G. Fugate.....	500	380	120	50	50	6	2	...
Malden.....	E. D. Hanna.....	460	460	...	42	42	4	4	7
Noble.....	J. J. White.....	400	343	57	57	57	4	2	7
Point Pleasant.....	C. J. Trippett.....	550	525	25	60	60	...	...	12
Ravenswood.....	H. B. Bowden.....	500	387	113	60	60	4	2	15
Ripley.....	W. R. Hennon.....	200	118	82	52	52	5	2	7
Raymond City.....	H. L. Ward.....	602	452	150	54	42	...	3	...
Spencer.....	P. C. Mays.....	550	475	75	80	60	7	1	18
Walton.....	G. W. Alley (sup).....	350	318	32	60	60	5	2	11
Total.....		8587	7674	862	1017	973	80	44	110
<i>Clarksburg.</i>									
Bridgeport.....	G. W. White (sup).....	400	400	...	67	67	8	3	20
Cherry Camp.....	E. S. Withers.....	400	370	30	50	50	8	1	20
Clarksburg.....	J. M. Warden.....	850	860	...	75	63	14	...	32
Enterprise.....	Thos. McCoy (sup).....	170	131	39	48	48	...	...	...
Fairmont.....	W. R. White.....	670	670	...	62	62	11	11	25
Farmington.....	F. Tonge (sup).....	240	...	...	50	50	6	6	14
Lugansport.....	W. S. Nicholdson.....	400	365	35	55	55	...	2	...
Logansport.....	N. L. Baumgardner.....	550	415	75	66	60	10	6	25
Mannington.....	R. H. Hughes.....	800	800	...	64	61	...	5	25
Marion.....	Taylor Richmond.....	510	452	58	65	65	8	5	20
Mononga.....	G. Martin.....	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	2
Mount Clare.....	W. E. Lovett.....	550	535	15	65	65	8	4	25
Pine Grove.....	W. L. Cox.....	274	168	106	48	48	4	...	13
Pruntytown.....	D. A. Friend.....	600	550	50	65	62	10	3	25

Clarksburg, Huntington, Morgantown and New River Districts.

		MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.									
NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	Pastors.			P. Eld's	Bish'ps		Con. Claimants.			
		Claims, including Ho'se Rent, or Rental value of Parsonages	Receipts, including H'se Rent, or Rental value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Appportioned.	Paid.	Appportioned.	Paid.	Appportioned.	Paid.	
<i>Clarks'b'g.—Con.</i>											
Salem	D. B. Orr	\$ 300	\$ 207	\$ 94	\$ 38	\$ 34	\$ 7	\$ 2	\$ 16	\$ 2	
Smithton	J. A. Hammond	346	346	...	50	50	9	3	15	7	
West Milford	E. W. D. King	475	475	...	60	60	9	5	20	5	
Wilsonburg	N. H. Prince	600	550	50	66	60	11	3	25	12	
Total...		7635	7337	552	994	960	123	59	320	174	
<i>Huntington.</i>											
Cassville		240	100	140	38	31	2	...	5	2	
Ceredo	J. H. Redman	400	310	90	38	34	3	1	9	...	
Coal River	W. S. Vandervort	300	300	...	36	36	...	1	...	...	
Coalburg	T. W. Wilson	395	255	140	38	32	3	1	8	2	
East Hamlin		100	47	53	20	19	1	1	4	2	
Fairfields			415	...	48	48	...	...	2	...	
Guyandotte	John Beddow	400	343	47	50	50	5	3	12	6	
Hamlin											
Huntington	W. W. King	1300	1300	...	95	95	...	...	15	...	
Huntington C't	E. A. Davis	505	403	102	40	37	4	1	10	4	
Laurel Hill		50	30	20	10	12	1	...	1	...	
Milton	Sylvester Gainer	450	438	12	40	40	4	3	12	5	
Monticello	G. W. Matheny	348	259	84	52	52	4	1	12	1	
St. Albans	B. Darlington	450	344	105	36	36	2	1	10	2	
Wayne	G. W. Marston	450	293	157	50	50	...	...	10	...	
Winfield	V. A. Nanna	350	368	...	42	42	3	2	12	10	
Total...		5738	5215	950	643	612	43	23	97	55	
<i>Morgantown.</i>											
Arnettsville	W. D. Carrico	350	412	38	75	75	8	21	8	...	
Blacksville	C. Warman	625	625	...	70	70	12	2	26	12	
Grafton	J. H. Hess	1150	1150	...	100	100	15	15	40	41	
Halleck	W. E. Dean	450	425	25	62	62	11	5	25	7	
Jollytown	J. B. Feather	700	700	...	100	100	15	12	40	25	
Jollytown	S. S. White	200	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Kingwood	M. W. Rider	753	750	...	78	78	10	10	21	21	
Knottsville	E. R. Skidmore	525	485	40	77	77	11	3	40	5	
Littleton	G. C. Shaw	470	470	...	60	62	5	3	12	10	
Masontown	F. G. W. Ford	550	530	20	55	55	5	3	15	4	
Morgantown	S. H. Day	1200	1200	...	100	100	15	11	41	41	
Morgantown C't	A. D. Perry	550	508	42	79	79	...	5	...	...	
Monongalia	T. W. Chidester	700	700	...	86	87	12	2	31	10	
Mount Zion	Samuel Harris	300	260	40	32	32	6	3	10	...	
Palatine	F. H. J. King	600	570	37	66	67	8	2	16	6	
Tunnelton	C. W. Cox	575	575	...	60	60	4	3	10	10	
Total...		9698	9560	242	1100	1104	137	86	348	205	
<i>New River.</i>											
Boone	C. W. Myers	300	260	40	50	45	4	...	10	1	
Clay	J. C. Strader	209	159	50	40	26	...	2	...	2	
Concord	W. W. Workman	200	48	152	40	29	2	1	5	...	
Elk River	G. E. Ward	400	346	54	60	55	...	...	...	1	
Fayette	Thomas Nutter	350	231	119	60	60	...	...	...	...	
Flat Top	Thos. Parris	150	110	40	40	40	2	1	5	2	
Hinchmans	G. L. Carder	255	146	109	50	50	4	1	10	2	
Hinton	J. M. Grose	300	231	69	60	48	3	1	...	1	
Mountain Cove	A. D. Adams	435	367	67	60	56	6	2	13	3	
Nicholas	Wm. Hunter	520	520	...	68	65	6	2	15	5	
Oceana	A. J. L. Curtis	215	140	75	50	50	4	...	8	...	
Oilville											

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<i>New River—Con.</i>		\$	270	\$	254	\$	16	\$	60	\$	60								
Ophelia.....	W. P. Guinn.....		400		225		175		60		43		1						1
Pleasant Retreat.....	B. M. Fitzwater.....		450		310		140		60		60				1				2
Raleigh.....	F. P. Dunbar.....																		
Total.....			4454		3347		1106		758		687		32		11		66		21
<i>Oakland.</i>																			
Albrightsville.....	T. R. Faulkner.....		310		220		90		52		50		5		2		15		4
Aurora.....	A. A. Nichols.....		550						50		50		6		2		14		3
Brandonville.....	C. E. Woodruff.....		650		530		120		75		73		10		1				5
Brandonville.....																			
Cranesville.....			400		324		76		44		44		5		5		14		10
Davis.....	J. C. Morris.....		560		605				50		50		6		6		15		15
Deer Park.....	J. N. Sharp.....		450		426		24		55		46		6		2		16		9
Evansville.....	J. C. Rexroad.....		525		486		39		70		67		7		6		23		7
Friendsville.....	M. Knotts.....		550		525		25		70		70		7		7		23		12
Grantsville.....	Josephus Enlow.....		400		400				55		55		6		3		16		5
Hambleton.....	W. C. L. Correll.....		550		490		60		40		40		4		1		13		2
Hannahsville.....	H. E. Friend (sup).....		300		300				32		32		1		1		12		4
Newburg.....	G. W. Kepler.....		625		627				68		68		7		7		23		23
Oakland.....	C. E. Clark.....		825		825				65		65		6		3		23		10
Pleasant Grove.....	R. S. Welch.....		447		250		193		50		45		6		3		6		3
Red Creek.....																			
Rowlesburg.....	A. B. Rohrbough.....		570		500				45		45		5		4		10		5
Terra Alta.....	S. D. Tamblyn.....		525		525				45		45		4		4		14		14
Total.....			8234		7233		637		836		845		91		57		237		131
<i>Parkersburg.</i>																			
Belleville.....	D. W. Ruble.....																		
Cairo.....	Wm. Anderson.....		400		405				60		60		3		3		10		10
Centreville.....	A. L. Ireland.....		450		337		113		70		70		.....		20		.....		2
Elizabeth.....	W. H. Shaw.....		500		500				60		53		5		4		15		3
Ellenboro.....	B. D. Mahone.....		600		492		108		65		65		5		3		15		3
Harrisville.....	L. W. Roberts.....		660		660				100		100		12		8		30		12
Kanawha.....	Daniel Smith.....		195		160		35		30		15		3		1		5		2
Middlebourne.....	U. Pribble.....		550		436		114		70		65		10		5		15		5
Mount Pleasant.....	F. N. Malcolm.....		300		134		11		60		50		5		.....		12		.....
Newark.....	L. N. Coffield.....		440		347		93		60		60		5		2		15		5
Parkersburg.....	John E. Bickford.....		2200		2200				200		200		30		30		100		192
Parkersburg C't.....	S. J. Cotton.....		675		679				100		100		15		10		30		30
Pleasants.....	M. Taylor.....		240		140		100		40		40		3		2		5		5
Sistersville.....	W. G. Smith.....		600		600				80		80		10		10		25		25
Shiloh.....	Thos. H. Bunting.....		475		325		149		70		70		7		5		18		8
Smithville.....	E. L. Meadows.....		436		386		50		70		70		5		2		15		2
Van Camp.....	J. R. Haught.....		200		160		40		40		37		3		.....		3		1
West Union.....	S. P. Crummitt.....		550		525		25		65		63		7		5		15		10
Williamstown.....	Gregory Bleakly.....		400		400				60		60		3		3		10		10
Total.....			9871		8886		838		1300		1258		131		113		338		325
<i>Wheeling.</i>																			
Benwood.....	J. Engle.....		875		875				48		48		.....		.....		15		10
Cameron.....	C. S. Allemong.....		850		850				65		65		8		5		35		25
Dallas.....	C. W. Upton.....		675		599		76		76		76		9		5		35		12
Fulton.....	A. T. Chawner.....		300		210		90		20		20		2		.....		5		2
Graysville.....	A. W. Ownby.....		575		500		75		46		40		8		1		20		10
Greene.....	J. D. Smith.....		443		453				56		56		4		2		20		6
Marshall.....	H. C. Sanford.....		700		700				88		88		9		9		30		30
Moundsville.....	G. W. Grimes.....		1300		1300				104		104		18		18		60		75

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<i>Wheeling—Con.</i>									
Moundsville C't.	C. E. Leatherby.....	\$ 400	\$ 380	\$ 20	\$ 44	\$ 42	\$ 8	\$ 7	\$ 32
New Martinsv'e.	W. J. Harkness.....	500	500	...	44	44	4	3	13
" " C't	A. E. Barnes.....	425	363	62	40	40	3	3	8
Pleasant Valley.	C. W. Milam.....	220	222	...	33	33	4	2	20
Short C'k & Lib'y	S. King.....	710	680	30	76	76	13	4	55
Triadelphia.....	T. E. Galway.....	600	407	193	52	38	4	...	20
<i>Wheeling.</i>									
Chapline Street	F. N. Lynch.....	1100	1100	...	85	85	16	16	60
Fourth Street....	C. W. Cushing.....	2500	2500	...	280	280	40	40	175
North Street....	W. G. Ribeldaffer.....	1100	800	...	85	55	...	5	...
Thomson Chur'h	J. A. Fullerton.....	1600	1600	...	105	105	20	20	66
Wesley Chapel..	D. L. Ash.....	950	975	...	48	48	6	5	20
Zane Street.....	A. Moore.....	1000	1000	...	80	80	...	5	...
Total.....		16823	16014	546	1575	1529	176	150	689

Recapitulation by Districts.

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	Pastors.		P. Elders.		Bishops.		Con. Claimants.	
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Buckhannon.....	\$ 7818	\$ 7147	\$ 346	\$ 952	\$ 948	\$ 91	\$ 71	\$ 224
Charleston.....	8587	7674	862	1017	973	80	44	110
Clarksburg.....	7633	7337	552	991	960	123	59	320
Huntington.....	5738	5215	950	643	612	43	23	97
Morgan town.....	9698	9560	242	1100	1104	137	86	348
New River.....	4454	3347	1106	758	687	32	11	66
Oakland.....	8234	7233	637	836	845	91	57	237
Parkersburg.....	9871	8886	838	1300	1258	131	113	338
Wheeling.....	16823	16014	546	1575	1529	176	150	689
Total this year.....	78856	72413	6079	9172	8916	904	614	2429
Total last year.....	78212	70038	6732	9229	8974	970	684	2619
Increase.....	644	2375	...	...	...	...	...	...
Decrease.....	...	...	645	57	58	66	70	190